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Netanyahu lays down law to potential partners

SARAH HONIG

THE Likud's potential coalition partners were told yesterday how many calimet portfolios there would be and how many they can expect. The religious parties were also told that oo excessive demands would be tolerated.

All this happened when Avig-dor Lieberman, who is to head the Prime Minister's Office under Binyamin Netanyabu, met with representatives of the parties likely to join the new coalition. He told them there would be no more than 18 ministers and six deputy ministers in the new government - as stipulated by law that the Likud will be given pref-erence in the number of portfohos, that there will be no departures from the status quo oo religious affairs, and that there will be large-scale privatization of state-owned companies.

Yesterday, Lieberman conferred with Zvi Alderoti, director-general of the Prime Minister's Office, and told him Netanyaho would be ready to assume office on June 17, when the new Knesset is slated to hold its first sessioo. He plans to have his coalition in place by then, and to present his cabinet to the Knesset for approval. Lieberman will coordinate the transfer of power for

The entire Likud negotiating team met with representatives of potential partner parties and Lie-berman presented the four points dictated by Netanyaho.

There had been considerable talk that the law stipulating a maximum number of ministers and deputy ministers would be changed to satisfy the coalitioo parties' demands. However, Netanyahu made it clear, via Lieberman, that he would oot consider amending the law.

He also made it clear that the Likud will get more ministers proportionately than other parties, hecanse, as Lieberman stressed. Netanyahn wants his party to have a majority in the cabinet. He also noted that the Likud is a bloc of three separate parties, each of which deserves its share of the portfolios. It is the prime minister's prerogative to prefer his own party, Lieberman said in Netanyahu's name, and a directly elected prime minister has more freedom than ever before to choose his ministers as he

sees fit. Cahinet ministers will also have less responsibility in certain areas, an inevitable outcome of increased privatization of governmeot-owned companies. This will afford ministers fewer opportunities to reward their cronies with

Finally, Lieberman said that Netanyahn plans to preserve the

religious status quo.
The Likud is particularly afraid of what MK Dan Meridor called the "demonization by the left over the last few days. The general public is being frightened with (Continued on Page 2)





Prime minister-elect Binyamin Netanyahu delivers a victory speech to Likud supporters at the Jerusalem International Convention Center last night.

Faces of Likud supporters turn from gloom to ecstacy

TO the victor belongs the joy, and the joy was deafening and palpable at the Jerusalem International Convention Center. where Binyamin Netanyahu delivered his victory speech last

For some two hours before Netanyahu made his way to the stage, amid a roar of "Bibi, Bibi, Bibi" and the banging on balcony panels that sent wood chips flying onto heads below, the atmosphere was a mix between a late night moshav sing-along and a championship basketball game.

Now the crowd sang "All the world is a narrow bridge, the main thing is to not be afraid," then they rhythmically chanted "Uh-ah, what happened. Shimon Peres ate

Many of the faces had been seen at protests following terror attacks over the last four years, or at demonstrations against one diplomatic move or another. Then the faces were glum, abject; last night, they verged on the ecstatic.

"Every week for the last four years I have stood in front of the

said Esther Stave. "Now I can

The middle-aged Stave was swaying in the aisles like a teenage groupic, waving a sign that read Bibi is attractive; Bibi is talented; Bibi is smart; Bibi is the prime

The sign was a take off on one of the Labor Party's campaign adver-tisements that denigrated Netanvahu's abilities. The crowd was heavily Sephar-

di, included a lot of people who came from development towns, and was dotted with numerous kippot, both black and knitted. Yuppies were scarce. It was, as Eli Rahem, an activist from Netanya said, amcha (just plain folk).

Rahem proudly waved his Likud membership card, as if to prove his credentials, saying: "Bibi will make a better peace. He will continue with the process, but will be a tougher negotiator. He won't say we will continue with the process after every terror attack."

When the Likud MKs were inmail in Netanya and protested." troduced and took their seats on

the stage, they received applause generally reserved for athletes introduced before a game. The two largest ovations went to Ariel Sharon and Limor Livnat.

At one point before Netanyahu began to talk, Doron Rohim, a rugged looking man with a handlebar mustache who appeared to be in his 40s, stood at the side of the hall singing with all his might with the crowd. "Don't fear, don't fear Israel, for you are like a hon."

Rohim said that he is not afraid of the religious influence on Netanyahu's coalition. "I prefer 24 haredi MKs, who might close down [Jerusalem's] Rehov Bar-Ilan, to 24 Arab MKs who would sell out Eretz Yisrael."

Rohim compared the celebration to the celebrations that accompanied Meoachem Begin's victory over Shimon Peres in 1977. That celebration was big," he said. "This victory is sweet. That one was big because it was the first time. This one is sweet because of everything we have gone through

over the last four years, all the

attempts to trample us and shut us

Netanyahu calls to heal nation's wounds, seek peace

IN a gracious victory speech, prime minister-elect Bioyamin Netanyahu last night extended a hand of coociliatioo to the half of the country that voted against him, calling oo everyone to bind the wounds. He extended another hand of conciliation to Arab leaders, calling oo them to continue to

walk down the path of peace. "The State of Israel is going forth today on a new path, Netanyahu told a euphoric crowd of thousands of supporters at the Jerusalem International Convention Center, "a path of hope, a path of unity, a path of security, a path of peace. The first and foremost peace that must be reached is peace at home. peace betweeo us, peace among us."

Netaoyahu's 30-minute speech, his first public statement since last Wednesday's election, was punctuated with deafening chants, ranging from "He is great, He is great. He is great." to "Bibi, King of Israel."

"I turn to the whole populatioo of Israel, those who voted for me and those who did not vote for me, I say to you that I jotend to be the prime minister of everyone," the Likud leader said.

Turning to the Arab leaders, Netanyahu pledged to continue the peace process, saying, "I said that peace begins at home, but it has to be cootioued abroad. We

intend to further the process of dialogue with all of our neighbors to reach a stable peace, a real peace, a peace with security."

Then, in a reference which brought prolonged shouts of acclamation. Netanyahu quoted from Psalms, "The Lord will give strength to his people, the Lord

will hless his people with peace." The speech, which was delivered while the entire Likud Knesset delegation - plus former Likud prime minister Yitzhak Shamir and Netaoyahu's wife. Sara - sat on the podium, was punctuated with religious references.

"Tonight I extend my hand in peace to all the Arab leaders and to our neighbors, the Palestinians," Netanyahu said. "I call upon you to join us, to walk in the path of real peace, in security for all of us, for all peoples of the The government we will form

in a few days, with God's help, will strengthen the peaceful relations that have already been established with the Jordaoian kingdom and with Egypt, and will continue the negotiations with the Palestinians," he said. "And we will also work to fur-

ther peace deals and coexistence with other Arah states. I call on them also to join the circle of peace," Netanyahu said.

Netanyahu also addressed the fears of the non-religious about the rise of the religious parties.

Early in his address he said the status quo must be preserved, and toward the end of the speech he returned to the theme, saying, 'I am committed to the values of law and democracy, just as I am committed to the values of eternal Israel, and there is no contradiction between the two. I am committed to the order of law in

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10 Jewish identity, and there is no contradiction between the two." After thanking his supporters, and then his wife. Netanyahu turned to Shimon Peres. "I want to express tonight another thank you to a man who has done much for the State of Israel, I want to express tonight appreciation to

our land, just as I am committed

Shimon Peres. As he said this, the crowd erupted into a chorus of boos. Netanyahu shook his finger and nodded his head disapprovingly. and half of the boos melted ioto

"The battle is behind us. Now we are in a different era," Netanyahu continued, "an era of unity for all the people. I want to say something about Mr. Peres. We had our disagreements, we had strong disagreements, but no one among us should forget the important contributions that Mr. Peres has made to the State of Israel."

This time the audience burst into cheers.

PLO officials accused Netanyahu of deliberately leaving the organization out of his victory

Analysts: Election result won't deter foreign investors

Jerusalem Post Staff

ANALYSTS say Labor's fall from power does oot jeopardize foreign iovestment, though foreign firms which have been exploring possibilities for setting up shop here might briefly suspeed their plans until the political fog clears.

Such optimism came amid concern that the sale of Bank Hapoalim, which is very close to completioo. would be temporarily frozen. Another concern, reflected in a weekly report by Bank Leumi on the capital market, is that the increased sway of smaller parties is likely to hamper the Treasury's bargaining power. This may result in the shelving of economic

plans, which would ultimately accelerate inflationary expectations and impact oegatively oo equity. debt, and foreign exchange markets.

Meanwhile, Tel Aviv's equity markets yesterday

welcomed prime minister-elect Binyamin Netanyahu's pledge to promote the peace process and to uphold his mass-privatization election promises.

The Maof index rose 1.78 percent and the Two-Sided Index rose by I.91%, one trading day after Tel Aviv shares tumbled nearly 5% in response to the election results.

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Indyk expects new gov't to implement Hebron pullout

THE cahinet yesterday reaffirmed its decision for the IDF to redeploy in Hebron by the middle of this month as scheduled, but left it up to the new Netanyahu government to actually pull back the troops.

In remarks to Israel Radio at the Hebrew University yesterday afternoon, US Ambassador Martin Indyk said the Clinton administration expects the Netanyahu government to fulfill its obligations under the Oslo II accord of last fall and withdraw from Hebron. At the same time, he stressed the importance of maintaining the security of Israelis.

Indyk also underscored President Bill Clinton's commitment to work with Binyamin Netanyahu, saying the US is "committed to working with him as closely as" it had worked with the Rabin and Peres governments.

In its communique at the end of yesterday's meeting, the cabinet reiterated the decision it reached last month on Hebron, adding that military and civilian preparations have been made for redeployment.

The redeployment must be carried out about ooe month following the date on which the understanding with the Palestinian Authority was reached, and in accordance with security preparations - that is, approximately mid-Juoe," the communique reads. "It should be emphasized

DAVID MAKOVSKY and HERB KEINON

that the government of Israel remains committed to the implementation of all elements of the interim agreement."

The cabinet also made clear that it will leave the actual redeployment to its successor: "The matter will be for the incoming government to deal with, based upon Israel's international commitment to the interim agreement, and to the status of the understanding reached with the

Also during the meeting, the head of the General Security Service hailed PA Chairman Yasser Arafat's cooperation in seeking to undermine terrorism, sources say. He also divulged information about an aborted effort by Islamic militants a month ago to

Last minute booking

kidnap an army cadet, who escaped through a car window. Peres and the other cabinet

ministers also pledged to do their best to transfer the administration to the new Netanyahu government in an orderly fashion. Meanwhile, Kiryat Arba resi-

dents would not object to a partial withdrawal from Hebroo that does not endanger the security of Jews there, or the transfer of administrative authority to the Palestinian Authority, Tsuri Popovitch, a spokesman for the Kiryat Arba Local Council said yesterday.

Popovitch said the settlement is celebrating Netanyahu's vic-tory and he "hopes Netanyahu doesn't plan to do what Peres was planning to do." But, he said, there would be oo objection to a "partial" pullback that would oot endanger security.

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Peres to ministers: Stop bickering

PRIME Minister Shimon Peres reprimanded Labor ministers yesterday for their hickering, telling them to stop attacking each other and instructing them not to gn to the Likud with the suggestion of a national unity government.

Peres refrained from rejecting a national unity government out of hand, saying only that if the Likud proposes it, Labor will discuss it. He spoke at a Labor ministers' meeding before the cabinet meet-

The issue of a unity government is raising a controversy in Labor, most of whose leaders are opposed to it. However, ministers Ehud Barak, Avraham Shohat and Binyamin Ben-Eliezer are reportedly willing to consider it under certain circumstances.

Party secretary general Nissim Zvilli is creaoog an external committee to examine the causes

'Security road'

begun near

Har Homa

BILL HUTMAN

WORK began again yesterday on a new road in the administered

territories meant to serve the con-

troversial Jewish neighborhood

proposed for southern Jerusalem

known as Har Homa, Peace Now

A spokesman for the group said the army last week agreed to Palestinian demands to halt work

on the road, on Arab-owned land

near Beit Sahur, until it was decid-

ed whether the Har Homa neigh-

There is oo reason to start

work on the road while there is a

court injunction preventing con-

struction of the Har Homa neigh-

borhood," said attorney Danny

Seidmann, who is affiliated with

Peace Now and one of the per-

sons leading the fight against the

- The IDF Spokesman issued a

statement confirming that, "IDF

bulldozers began clearing a road north of Beit Sahur," but added

that "the road is being opened only

for security use by the army.'

proposed neighborhood.

borhood would indeed be built.

has charged.

for Labor's defeat, but Peres said. this is not the time for "inventory. Everyone can see what happened after analyzing the election results: The great failure was in the new immigrants' sec-

Minister Moshe Shahal, however, said Labor must conduct a thorough examination to understand what happened and to prepare for the next election.

Labor sources said that Peres does not intend to resign as party leader immediately, hut will lead the party in opposition and rehahilitate it, until a new leader is elected io a year or so.

"You cap be sure Peres will not follow former prime minister Menachem Begin's example, and will not resign before his successor is elected in Labor's primaries next summer, so as not to endanger the party's integrity," ooe source said.

Labor will convene its institutions by the end of the month to set a schedule for electing a new party chairman, candidate for prime minister, a new secretary general, and party convencion.

The party's constitution states that if the party's candidate for prime minister loses the elections, a new candidate must be elected by primaries within 14 months of the Knesset elections. Labor sources ooted that at this

stage there is no favorite candidate, although the names of Haim Ramon, Ehud Barak, and others are raised in this connection. Peres sharply criocized the per-

sonal elections system, calling it disastrous to democracy. Peres had opposed the personal elec-



mony at the Hebrew University.

Hussein: Netanyahu will further peace

JORDAN'S King Hussein stated Saturday that he is confident premierelect Binyamin Netanyahu would advance the cause of peace, and said he was "taken aback" hy suggestions

to the contrary. "I believe that the peace process has every possi-hility of continuing," he said. "It has a dynamic of its own. It is irreversible... I have every confidence and every faith that the future is bright in terms of the

cause of peace."

Hussein said he was "very touched" that he was among the first to be called hy Netanyahu after the

eleccion results were finalized. "He assured me that he is committed to the cause of peace," Hussein said, adding that he does not believe that all of Netanyahu's campaign rhetoric should be taken at face value.

"It is my responsibility to point out to everyone, to the skeptics, that there is no reason for skepticism" about Netanyahu, Hussein said.

"I think that we'd better all give him a chance to put his house in order and assume his responsibilioes... Any government in a position of negotiatioo will try to assure... security for its people," he said. "Let's wait and see."

In Paris yesterday, Foreign Minister Herve de Charette said the Middle East peace process may slow but will oot stop after Netanyahu's election. "It cannot stop. It cannot simply because the alter-

PALESTINIAN Authority
President Yasser Arafat, with an
Israeli policeman on each arm.

walked aloog the recently com-pleted tarrusc at Gaza

International Airport yesterday to

inspect his new "Palestine Air"

from Algeria, was flown in from

Cairo by a pilot who waved the Palestinian flag from the cockpit

after landing. It was the first plane

to land at the yet-to-be completed

airport at Rafah. It then took off

for El-Arish in the Sinai, where

Arafat boarded it and flew to

London for an official visit with

Terrorists failed

in bid to kidnap

army cadet

PALESTINIAN terrorists tried to

kidnap an army cadet io

Ierusalem about three weeks ago,

hut he managed to escape minutes

after he took a ride in their car,

General Security Service chief

Ami Ayalon reported to the cabi-

Police had initially dismissed

19-year-old Lior Avital's versioo

of events. The cadet, who is

studying at a military academy.

said he was hitchhiking at the Ma'aleh Adumim turnoff on the

Ramallah Road to get to his home

in Mishor Adumint, when he was

picked up by the terrorists.

oet yesterday.

native to peace is war, and I cannot personally believe that anyone in the and news agencles world, and certainly not Israel, wants war," de Charette said in a television WASHINGTON interview.

"But as for the modalides of peace... it is quite likely that the Israelis will be tougher, more demanding, and the negotiations will consequently be more difficult," he told France 2 television.

In Malaysia, Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad said yesterday that Netanyahu's victory 'represents a success for the Hamas group in its efforts to obstruct the peace process."

Mahathir told reporters in Langkawi, 450 kilometers northwest of Kuala Lumpur, that Israeli and Islamic extremists appeared to be cooperating to frustrate the peace efforts. Malaysia, where Islam is the official religion, has

oo diplomatic ties with Israel and said it would establish des only after the peace process is completed. Meanwhile, Qatar said yesterday it would consider slowing down the pace of normalizing ties with

"It's not that we are going to reverse the cosmalization process," said the official. "But... we'll have to move cautiously or slow down the pace to make sme that the new regime in Israel is serious about achievpeace with Arabs on all tracks and giving the Palestinians their legiomate right of self-determination

and statehood in the occupied territories," he said.

First plane lands at Gaza airport

Sunday's crossword is reprinted on Page 9. We apologize for the technical error which made yesterday's crossword unreadable? ::-

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ARRIVALS

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JON IMMANUEL

Prime Minister John Major "The president did not use the airport because it is prepared to receive flights, but will be able to have flight departures only in July," said Brig. Fayez Zaidan, director of Palestioian Civil

have achieved the Palestinian dream after landing the first aircraft in Gaza," said pilot Capt. Ziad Ali Aziz, a 20-

After months of disputes over security control at the airport, Israel and the Palestinians agreed

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an impending religious takeover.

The fact is that had Shimon Peres

won, he would have had no op-

tion but to put together the same

coalition. Democracy is the rule

of the majority, but also respect

for the rights of the minority -

and we shall scrupulously adhere

alidon partners have eight portfo-

lios, while the three Likud com-

pocents get nine, making 10

Likud ministers if he is counted as

This is creating dissension

among the larger potential coali-

tion partners, who are demand-

ing one minister for each three

MKs. The Likud argues that with

a coalition of 66 MKs, this would

mean 22 ministers, something

Netanyaho will oot agree too.

Neither, it was said, will he agree

to the National Religious Party

and Shas each getting three port-folios, Yisrael Ba'aliya two, and

United Torah Indaism and the

Third Way one each. That would

mean that 10 portfalios out of 18

go to the coalition partners. With

Netanyahu plans to let his co-

to this."

last month on procedures for overall Israeli security control of arriving and departing passengers

Palestinians see the airport as a gateway to freedom, bypassing Israeli border checks. Although Israel could close the airport, Gazans unable to leave Gaza for Gurion Airport would be able to fly out of Gaza and catch a connection to other countries from Cairo.

The runway is 3 km. long and is designed to take planes up to Boeing 747s when completed,

NEWS IN BRIEF

Dikstein to be cited for psoriasis treatment Prof. Shabtay Dikstein, head of the cell pharmacology department at the Hebrew University's School of Pharmacy, will receive the Kaye Prize for Innovaove Developments during the university's board of governors meeting in Jerusalem today. The award is for an ointment adapted from an oral drug containing the acove form of vitamin D which has been found to provide

Three remanded in Rosenstein shooting Three men suspected of involvement in the early Friday morning

excellent results in the treatment of psoriasis.

shooting of underworld figure Ze'ev Rosenstein were remanded for 10 days yesterday by Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court The three, who maintained their innocence, include Ilan Aslan. brother of late gangland figure Yehezkel Aslan, who was shot dead

outside a Tel Aviv restaurant over three years ago. The other two suspects' names have been banned from

Rosenstein, 40, was shot in the shoulder and leg as he was driving down Ibn Gvirol Street in Tel Aviv. Nine shots were fired. hut only two bullets hit him. He drove himself to the hospital and, following surgery, his condition is stable.

On the first anniversary of the passing of our beloved mother

YENTKE PESSINE

(née MERKEL)

daughter of Ben-Zion and Zivie Merkel (Subata, Latvia); sister of Abraham, Yitzhak and Pinah Merkel (South Africa); sister of Rutstein Nessy-Helen (born Merkel, Subata, Latvia); aunt of Rutstein Gertrude, Gita, Halm and Avraham (Brooklyn); niece of Merkel Ortchik and Malka (Subata, Latvia), their children - Yudel, Yitzhak, Avraham and a sister and brother (chemist).

Our dear beloved Mother passed away on June 13, 1995, after suffering a long litness. Her courage, strong will and fortitude were an example to all of us. A person of extreme will who was the first lady employee at the Subata State Bank (Latvia) and who got her German Language Honours Diploma after passing exams without attending lectures at university.

She has always been brave.

Her wisdom, courage and sense of humour throughout were an

inspiration to all.

She was and always will be the sun in our lives. Our Mother was our world. She is deeply remembered and is still with us every day and forever. May her dear soul rest in peace with her beloved husband Gershon (Estonia).

> Daughters & their families France, Israel (Israel: POB 3830. Bat Yam (Pessine))

PARTNERS

the premiership counted as a ministry, that would leave Netanyahu only seven portfolios for all three Likud factions.

Likud sources believe that no potential partner has much choice but to accept Netanyahu's terms, because he was elected directly by the people, and the other parties want to be part of the government.

However, Shas's Arych Deri saw it differently.

"This simply will not be," he announced point blank. "This is discrimination. We won't agree to one yardstick for the Likud and another for the rest-of the

The NRP's Zevulun Hammer said, "different ratios for different parties is unheard of. There never was such a thing."

In the Likud, however, it is noted that this is precisely what Yitzhak Rabin did in 1992 and the practice had also existed in the more distant past.

The precise demands of Yisrael Ba'aliva are not yet clear, even

Christopher: US remains opposed to expanding settlements

HILLEL KUTTLER WASHINGTON

WHILE the US has traditionally opposed the expansion of settlement in the territories, the Clinton administration will be "adapting our policy to the situation as it develops." Secretary of State Warren Christopher said yesterday.

Christopher, who called prime ninister-elect Binyamin minister-elect Netanyahu yesterday and invited him to visit Washington immediately after he forms his government, said the US is "not going to change the policy that we had

made" on settlements. "At the same time, circumstances do change, and we'll move into dealing with this new Israeli administration, wanting to have a good arrangement with them, wanting to have the same kind of close arrangement, close discussions, one of trust and confidence we had with the previous administracion." Christopher said

oo CBS's Face the Nation. Speaking from Geneva, he said that after speaking with Netanyahn, he was "reassured" that the "fully

supports the peace process." Christopher also stated he thought it is "significant" that Netanyahu has "adopted a policy alluding to the conversation between Netanyahu aide Dore Gold and PA official Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen).

House Speaker Newt Gingrich said he expects continued good relations between Congress and the new government, and that even if Netanyahu does oot aggressively pursue the peace process, Israel's \$3 hillion in annual aid will not be in jeopardy.

"It has been a very bipartisan relationship, whether it was Republican or Democrat in the US and whether it was Labor or Likud in Israel," Gingrich told NBC's Meet the Press.

"I think the real desire for security is legitimate. Peace has to come with a security component that's real, and I think that Netanyahu's going to do everything he can to make sure that progress continues, but also to insist that it be real progress and not just paper documents signed by diplomats at some nice press conferences while people die on the streets."

Republican presidential candi-date Bob Dole telephoned his congratulations to Netanyahir on Saturday, telling the iocoming Israeli prime minister he looked forward to a meeting soon, Reuters reported.

though party leader Natan Sharansky met with Lieberman for the first oegotiating session. Sharansky said it was a general conversation in which "we both wished each other a mazal tov." He did not specify what he asked for or if he would insist on

two portfolios. Likud sources intimated that his party will make do with a single portfolio, if it is a powerful economic one.

But powerful economic portfolios are very popular. That is precisely what Avigdor Kahalani of the Third Way wants, as do many of the would-be ministers inside the Likud, some of whom are already dropping broad hiats about the appointments they expect. Netanyahu will not be able to please all of them.

The nitty-gritty negotiations are due to begin today. Representatives of the various parties will appear before the Likud negotiators separately, with the order determined by the size of the faction. Shas, the largest, will be first and Moledet, the smallest,

PM: Alternative to peace is bloodshed

IN his first public remarks since losing the election, outgoing Prime Minister Shimon Peres exhorted all to maintain his peace legacy, warning that the only alternative is bloodshed. Peres, who spoke at a Hebrew

University convocation at the Mt. Scopus amphitheater, was warmly received by the crowd. He seemed genuinely moved by the extended standing ovations before and after his remarks. Some of his aides wept as he spoke.

By stressing the combination of strategic vision and political moderacion that has become his signature style. Peres sounded more like an elder statesmen offering sagacious advice about the future than a politicism having to deal with tomorrow's headlines.

Speaking in somber tones, Peres declared, "I know the road to peace is not simple and is full of mines. But, even if you discover mines, don't lose sight of the hori-2011, because peace is the only future for our children."

Citing famed writer S. Yizhar, who shared the stage with him to receive an honorary doctorate, Peres urged all to weigh the value of a single human life above all

Regarding the specifics of the peace process, he said Israel must maintain the peace process with the Palestinians as indispensable for building a partnership. Peres implied the new government

headed by Binyamin Netanyahu should withdraw from Hebron. saying. The government of Israel must honor the poliocal agreements signed by past Israeli goveraments and continue the path of the Oslo accords in negotiations with the Palestinians."

Concerning relations with Israel's other potential peace partners, Peres declared, "We have to reach an agreement with the Syrians and an agreement with the Lebanese. We don't have a choice and they don't have a choice. The only alternative is hloodshed, darkness, and disappointment."

In a dig at his opponent, Peros accused Netanyahu of "zigzags" during the campaign, saying, "I may change my post, but not my posicions.

Looking at the recipients of honorary doctorates sitting near him. Peres joked that he has something in common with them. since he could oow be called "honorary prime minister."

Aides to Peres say that he has not made long-term plans and, since he is duhious of the idea of a national unity government, will stay in the Knesset as leader of the

opposition.
Others awarded honorary doctorates yesterday included Harvard University scholar of medieval Hebrew literature and Jewish thought Prof. Isadore Twersky and Hebrew University Bible scholar Prof. Moshe Greenberg.

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Religious parties fail to agree on portfolios

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THE religious parties failed to reach agreement last night among themselves on which portfolios each would request in the upcoming coalition

Representatives of the parties met at National Religious Party leader's Zevuhm Hammer's home in an attempt to prevent a situation in which they enter conflicting claims for the same portfolio. One such case is the Religious Affairs portfolio, wanted both by the NRP and Shas. Although the parties were reported to he trying to formulate an agreement to share the ministry, this did not get off the ground.

However, the religious parties were united in calling on the Likud not to set up different ratios portfolios per MK for itself and its partners. Hammer said that his party would not threaten the Likud over this, but stressed that without the NRP, there would be oo coalitioo.

Meanwhile, Aguda's Council of Torah Sages decided last night not to insist on the housing portfolio, while the United Torah Judaism's Degel Hatorah faction opposes Aguda's stand.

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(Continued from Page 1) This however is not the consensus in Kiryat Arba and Hebron. David Wilder, a spokesman for the Hebron settlement, said that the transfer of any part

"Our fundamental ideology is that Hebron is a Jewish city. Furas moving out of any part of the city without endangering the Jews here. We object to giving the Palestinians any feeling of sovereignty over the city," he

of Hebron is unacceptable.

Hebron and Kiryat Arba settlement leaders also denounced the cabinet decision to reaffirm the government's commitment to pull back from the city, while leaving the actual implementation to Netanyahu.

"After this government decided not to withdraw because of security reasons, it is not right for them to try to trip up the next government by saying they should implement the pullout,"

Hebroo settlement leader Noam Amon said. -

mon said.
Wilder said the settlement has drawn up plans to submit to the government, which call for repossessing buildings that belonged to the Jewish community in Hebron before the 1929 massacre, and for building on state land in the city. He said the incoming Likud-go ernment will realize building is necessary, since it has been made clear over the last four years that areas where there are a large amount of Jews will eventually fall inside Israeli borders, while areas where Jews did not settle will be op for negotiation.

In a related development, the leaders of the Hebron settlement have called for a "thanksgiving" rally to be held in the settlement on Wednesday. Among the performers slated is hassidic rock star Mordechai Ben-David. Wilder said that talks are under way with a number of politicians, who he would not name, to get them to address the rally

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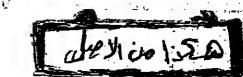
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Religious parties' new strength found threatening

SECULAR and non-Orthodox religious circles are very frightened that the religious parties' newfound strength in the Knesset will be translated into legislation curtailing religious freedom and pluralism.

Israel's Reform Movement held a meeting yesterday, which virtually all of its rabbis and officials attended, to map out a strategy to respond to the challenge. Zamira Segev, executive director of Hemdat, the Council for Freedom of Science, Religion, and Culture in Israel, said she is planning a massive appeal to the lews of the world to come to the defense of religious freedom in-

"We fear the new Knesset will introduce an extremism in religious issues," Segev said.

For the haredim, on the other hand, the newfound strength in the Knesset means they can right what they view as the wrongs of

"We don't want to change the status quo. We just want to pre-serve it," said MK Avraham Ravitz of the United Torah Party.

Ravitz said that although they have not yet formulated their specific demands, the religious parties will undoubtedly work to ensure that state companies do not work on Shabbat and that other laws regarding Shabbat observance are enforced. This would be done by passing legislation to

enable municipalities to crack down on stores and movie theaters operating on Shabbat.

Referring to an issue of primary concern to the Reform and Conservative movements, he said the religious parties would also work to ensure that conversions to Judaism by non-Orthodox rabbis in Israel would not be recognized. In November, the High Court of Justice ruled that one such convert should be recognized as Jewish, although the court stopped short of ordering the Interior Ministry to register her a Jew.

However, in what could be an important line of distinction, Ravitz said he has no intention of amending the Law of Return, which recognizes conversions by non-Orthodox rabbis performed

Another area of confrontation are the Basic Laws, in particular, Human Dignity and Freedom. Segev pointed out there had been an agreement between Shas and the late prime minister Yitzhak Rabin that the law would be amended so as not to affect matters of religion. Although the agreement was never carried through, Segev noted that such an amendment would mean an infringement of the basic rights of the individual.

National Religious Party spokesman Yitzhak Rath said his party bas yet to formulate its

Histadrut warns gov't not to renege on agreements

THE Histadrut yesterday warned the new government against canceling existing wage agreements, violating workers' rights, or turning the Israel Broadcasting Authority workers into a political

"We regard the case of IBA workers as a test case," Histadrut Chairman Amir Peretz said. "We will not let the government turn them into an example to prove that. anyone who opposes its policy

will have a problem. The political attacks on the IBA, calling it a body which should be dissolved, is suitable for an election campaign. But we will see to it that the workers do not have to pay the price for what is a

purely political issue." In a special executive meeting called to discuss the change of government, Histadrut leaders expressed hope that it would not damage workers' stams.

Peretz made it clear that the Histadrut will fight against any attempt by the new government to roll back wage and pension agreements, or any other workers' rights, under the guise of budget

He decided to ignore the charges the Likud had raised against the Histadrut during the election cam-paign, stating, "We accept the new government, but we have no intention of making its life easy.

"Facts are facts. This government was elected, just like the Histadrut executive was elected. It is inconceivable that a new govemment violate any commitment made by a previous one. This would be a red line which, ifcrossed, would force us to enter into fights in which we have no: ture. Many speculate that interest." Sharansky would prefer to have

The Histadrut also is demanding the speedy passage of the wage protection bill, according to which each worker would pay a monthly fee to the Histadrut.

Meanwhile, it is not yet clear when Histadrut Treasurer Haim Oron and parliament head Ran Cohen, both of Meretz, intend to leave their posts, as they said they would before the elections.

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coalition demands, but he is sure these would relate to the Basic Law issue. He also said the NRP would want to "do something" about the High Court.

In the past, the High Court has been a powerful tool for non-Orthodox religious movements, especially Movement's Israel Religious Action Center. It was perhaps to this group that Shas leader MK Arych Deri was referring when be said, shortly after the elections, "Now we'll fix the Reform."

Ravitz said such an amendment would correct changes in the status quo which had been eroded by the High Court. The High Court itself has indicated that it is acting in a legislative capacity," Ravitz

Another concern of Hemdat is the possible reversal of Education Ministry reforms, such as the unplementation of the recommendations of the Shenhar Committee promoting a pluralistic approach in teaching Jewish subjects in non-religious schools.

Segev also fears that an education minister from one of the religious parties might insist that every archeological excavation have a rabbinical supervisor, to ensure that any Jewish tombs are left undisturbed.

"It is the classic conflict between freedom of science and religious extremism," Segev

Sharansky expected to ask much from Likud

Jerusalem Post Staff

AFTER an unexpectedly strong election showing, Yirael Ba'aliya is poised to ask a heavy price in its coalition negotiations with the

Party leader Natan Sharansky has repeatedly stated that he feels the Absorption Ministry - seemingly the most obvious choice to be "toothless," and would not be willing to accept it without changes in its power and strucone of the economic ministries. such as Finance, Construction and Housing, or Industry and

Specific issues the party is like-ly to raise in its negotiations include greater services for new immigrants and a new program of subsidies ot loans to help young families to purchase their first

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Petitions filed against disqualifying blank ballots

THREE petitions were filed in the High Court of Justice yesterday demanding that the blank ballots cast in the prime ministerial race be counted which would mandate a second round of bailoung for the prime minister.

The court is to hear the petitions on

Under the law for the direct election of the prime minister, a second round must be held if no candidate receives more than 50 percent of the legal ballots cast. The Central Elections Committee ruled that all blank ballots - of which one petition said there were some 145,000 would be disqualified, which left Binyamin Netznyahu with 50.5% of the remaining votes. If the blank ballots were counted, however, Netanyahu would have received only 48% of the vote, with Shimon Peres receiving 47%.

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The petitioners, who identified themselves only as ordinary citizens, charged that the CEC's decision to disqualify the blank ballots was illegal. The law disqualifies ballots only if the voter's intent cannot be determined or if there is a suspicion of fraud. In this case, the petitions charged, those who cast blank ballots were clearly voting no-confidence in both can-

The CEC's decision, the petitions argued, violated the law's intent that only someone who received the confidence of more than 50% of the voters could be elected in the first round. If neither candidate passed this threshold, the law calls for a second round.

One petition noted this is also the case in pres-

Furthermore, the petitions continued, the CEC's decision was technically illegal, since. while it is allowed to disqualify ballots for reasons other than those stated by law, it can do so only by a two-thirds majority of its members. The decision to disqualify hlank ballots was not made by a two-thirds majority, the petitions

Finally, the petitions said, it is absurd for blank ballots to be invalidated when the CEC sanctioned this option by placing blank ballots at the polling stations.

One of the six petitioners said that he is a Peres supporter, while the other five declined to say how they had voted. All insisted that their petitions had nothing to do with a desire to overturn the election results.

Canadian ambassador to Israel David Berger (right), who discussed Israel-Canada relations with The Jerusalem Post editorial board yesterday, chats with Post president and publisher

Kahalani: We're committed to religious status quo

THE Third Way is committed to maintaining the religious status quo, party leader MK Avigdor Kahalani said yesterday.

"Today it's very pleasant to live in Israel and we must ensure it

remains pleasant for everyone, both the religious and the secular," he

He is reportedly asking for an economic portfolio in the government, either Industry and Trade or Labor and Social Affairs. Kahalani rejected reports that his party is concerned at a possible lack of influence because it has only four mandates, saying: "Laws have fallen or not been accepted because of just one vote. I have no doubt that this government needs pie like the Third way, in the center

The party remains committed to its platform, he said, including the clauses calling for the continuation of the peace process and "disengaging from the Palestinians for good."

The party also promised to submit a bill calling for compulsory national service for all, in either a civil or a military framework. This bill could

face opposition from the religious parties.

Regarding the first hot issue facing Binyamin Netanyahu's government - the IDF redeployment in Hebron - Kahalani said his party favors withdrawing from Hebron, except for the Jewish quarter, which should be joined with Kiryat Arba and strengthened.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Yatom takes over Mossad

Danny Yatom officially became head of the Mossad yesterday at a ceremony at the Prime Minister's Office in Jerusalem attended by the prime minister, cabinet ministers, Speaker of the Knesset, chief of general staff, head of the GSS, state comptroller, and other notables. He replaces Shabtai Shavit, who headed the intelligence organization since 1989 and leaves to direct the Maccabi health fund. Yatom, 51, retired with the rank of major-general after 33 years' service in the IDF. His last posting was military aide to the prime minister. Jerusalem Post Staff

GPO head Uri Dromi to resign

Uri Dromi, director of the Government Press Office, has announced his intention to resign as soon as the new government is formed. He has held the position for the last four years.

"This position requires close identification with the government," Dromi said. "To carry it out well it requires enthusiasm, as well as

Weizman: Peace process will continue President Ezer Weizman said yesterday the peace process would continue now that the elections are over. Speaking at the annual memorial service to the fallen of the Israel Police at the National Police Academy at Kiryat Ata, Weizman said the results should be

seen as "once again giving ourselves and the region a good lesson that we are a democratic state." He also wished prime ministerelect Binyamin Netanyahu success. Women to prepare for local elections

To help women of all parties start preparing for the coming elections

to local authorities (in 1998), and for the next national election, WIZO is holding a conference today. "It will be a long haul to raise the consciousness of women - and men - who believe we must be duly represented," according to Michal Yudin, chairwoman of the committee to advance women into politics. The conference is to take place at WIZO House in Tel Aviv, from 10 a.m.

UK Jewish National Fund delegation arrives A British JNF delegation from Manchester arrives tonight for a dedication ceremony in honor of long-time donor and Israel supporter Sam Herwald, who died a year ago. The 37-strong delegation, led by Manchester director Sid Sherman, will stay here until June 13.

The dedication will take place Wednesday in the British Park

near Jerusalem, where a picnic and leisure area will be inaugurated in Herwald's name, at a cost of £35,000 raised by Manchester Jewry. The delegation will also visit JNF sites in the North and the Raine Marcus

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Klaus could rule with a minority.

Czechs hit stalemate as Klaus majority slips away

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minister to end the stalemate.

monk in a ritual in a 15th-century

Tibetan monastery, official media

The ceremony, attended by hundreds of chanting monks, marked another step in Beijing's efforts to legitimize the boy's position as the 11th Panchen Lama, the highest Ruddhist leader incide That

est Buddhist leader inside Tibet,

and strengthen its rule of the

China enthroned the boy last

December, snnbbing the Dalai

Lama, Tibet's exiled spiritual and

temporal leader who had chosen

another six-year-old as Panchen

But China's highest Communist

Party officials rejected the Dalai

Lama's choice, accused him of promoting Tibetan independence

and prodded senior monks into

The Dalai Lama's choice disap-

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stalemate yesterday with election results giving eastern Europe's last surviving center-right coalition almost oo chance of holding its majority after four years of sta-

hle government.
Official results showed the Civic Democratic Party (ODS) of Prime Minister Vaclav Klaus had emerged from the two-day poll as the strongest party, with 29.61 percent of the vote.

But in a major surprise, the Social Democrats took 26.44 percent. A computer projection from Czech Television forecast that Klaus's three-party coalition would win a minority 99 seats in the 200-member parliament, down from 112 before.

Analysts said the likely deadlock suggested the Czech Republic, hailed as post-communist Europe's most stable nation, might be heading for new elections early next year.

The commission gave no projection of seats in parliament. Under the Czech constitution, votes won hy parties which failed needed to enter parliament will be distributed proportionately to the

larger parties.
The official make-up of parliament is expected to be announced on Monday The deadlock provoked a flurry

"I am skeptical about a minority government. The Czech politi-cal scene is very polarized, said Jiri Pehe, research director at the of activity. Klaus visited President Vaclav Havel at his summer resi-dence outside Prague, CTK news Open Media Research Institute. "I agency reported, but details of suspect the opposition would vote to a man against the coalition."

their talks were not immediately Pehe said he doubted the Social Other major players began courting, with Social Democrat Democrats could form a centerleft coalition as this would have to leader Milos Zeman suggesting that Josef Lux, who heads the rely on tacit support from the com-munists, who had 10.33 percent. Zeman's poteotial partners, the Christian Democrats, might make a compromise candidate for prime

Christian Democrats and the center-right Civic Democratic Alliance (ODA), could not stom-Lux, whose party is a junior coalition partner in Klaus's govach even an informal deal with the ernment, reacted cooly to the idea communists, little reformed from the party which controlled the Analysts differed on whether country for 40 years. (Reuter)

As monks recited scriptures, the

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With the Dalai Lama in exile

in India, the Panchen Lama is the highest spiritual leader in

Beijing hopes the boy will lend

legitimacy to its often harsh 46-year rule in Tibet, and dampen

Tibetans' fervor for the Dalai

Chinese leaders have used the

dispute over the Panchen Lama to

test the loyalty of Tibet's

Buddhist clergy and discredit the

Dalai Lama - a campaign which

In a speech, Raidi, chairman of

Tibet's legislature, again accused

the Dalai Lama of leading

attempts to make Tibet indepen-

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China's pick of spiritual leader

initiated as monk in Tibet

BEIJING (AP) - A six-year-old boy chosen by China as the highest spiritual leader in Tibet - against the wishes of the Dalai Lama - has been initiated as a initiated into monkhood Saturday, a festival date in the Tibetan calendar, in the Tashi Lhunpo monastery in ceotral Tibet, the traditional seat of the Panchen

Four new deaths jolt Yeltsin's hopes in Chechnya

GROZNY, Russia (Reuter) - Four Russian soldiers were killed when their armored vehicle was blown up in the Chechen capital Grozny yesterday, denting peace moves which President Boris Yeltsin hopes will help him win re-elec-

Staropromyslovsky region of Grozny at about 9:50 a.m.

Reporters on the scene said the vehicle veered out of control and continued moving for several hundred meters after a blast so powerful that it threw one soldier out of the vehicle.

violence that continued over the weekend despite a cease-fire which had been supposed to start at midnight on Friday following an agreement reached by Yeltsin and rebel leader Zelimkhan Yandarbiyev in Moscow.

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Britain looking for relief from

BRUSSELS (Reuter) - Britain is expected to win some relief this week from a worldwide ban on its beef exports, but the 15-nation European Union remains far from solving its row with London over

EU farm ministers meet in Luxembourg tomorrow and Tuesday to consider a European Commission proposal to end the ban on beef by-products gelatine, tallow and bull semen,

Although some member states are opposed to a relaxation, the procedures for easing the ban are stacked in Britain's favor and the embargo could be partially lifted hy end of the week.

Russian military commanders in Chechnya said five soldiers were also wounded when their armored personnel carrier triggered an explosive device in the

They were the latest deaths in

The continued fighting is a almost 18 months of bloodshed in Chechnya to boost his chances of winning a presidential election on

beef ban

the embargo.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Algeria signs nuclear pact with China
PARIS (Reuter) - Algeria, which has a Chinese-made muclear
reactor for research, has signed a draft agreement with China for nuclear cooperation, the official Algerian news agency APS said yesterday. It said Algeria's minister of universities and scientific research, Boubakeur Benbouzid, stressed the need to use nuclear energy for peaceful purposes and said cooperation in the fields envisaged by the agreement would start soon.

The agency did not give details of the agreement which Benbouzid said covered "the second stage of cooperation between Algeria and China" in nuclear technology.

Mass said for monks in Algeria

ALGIERS (AP) – Under tight security, a Mass was held yesterday in memory of seven French monks slain by Islamic extremists whose insurgency has bloodied this North African nation. Yesterday's observance was part of the lead-up to funerals set for

tomorrow for the seven, whose throats were slit last week by the kidnappers who had held them since March 27. France's ambassador to Algeria was among those attending the Mass yesterday, capping a week of mourning for the Roman Catholic monks abducted from their monastery in mountains south

Their slayings stunned many French and angered the French povernment, which has appealed anew to its citizens to leave

Algeria. At least 33 other French citizens have been among the more than 40,000 people to die in an increasingly bloody civil war.

Chadians queue to vote in election

N'DIAMENA, Chad (Reuter) — Voters formed long queues at
street-corner polling stations in Chad yesterday for the vast Central
African country's first multi-party presidential election.

Voting took place in bars, straw-huts, offices, private homes and
in the open air. One roadside polling station had an open drain

running through the middle.

State radio said polling was going well around the country despite shortages of materials in some areas and complaints that supposedly indelible ink used to mark voters' fingers to prevent and the process of the proc multiple voting could be washed off.

Bangkok-chooses mayor

BANGKOK (AP) – Bangkok voters spurned an ascetic pro-democracy hero yesterday and elected an environmentally minded candidate as mayor to bring order to one of the world's most

Pichit Rattakul, 50, an independent whose lack of experience in city administration struck voters as a plus, outstripped his nearest rivals in the 29-candidate field, twice-governor Chamlong Srimuang and incumbent Krisda Arunvongse na Ayutthaya.

Major's son named in divorce suit

LONDON (AP) - James Major, 21-year-old son of the British prime minister, is dating a 33-year-old married woman and is cited as her lover in a divorce suit, British newspapers report. Prime Minister John Major's children, James and his 25-year-old sister Elizabeth, have largely managed to escape the scrutiny of

Britain's tabloid newspapers since he became prime minister in 1990. They never give interviews. However, news of the romance between James and Elaine Jordache, a supervisor with the retail chain Marks and Spencer where he also works, got front-page treatment last week when they were pictured with the prime minister at a charity horse race

The newspaper and others report that Mrs. Jordache's husband, businessman Michael Jordache, 42, has started divorce proceedings against her on grounds of adultery with James Major.

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US to Milosevic: Get tough with Karadzic

GENEVA (Reuter) - The United States warned President Slobodan pact negotiated in Dayton, Ohio, Milosevic of Serbia vesterday that he must ensure the removal of Radovan Karadzic and Ratko Mladic, the hard-line political and military leaders of the Bosnian

The warning was delivered at a luncheon given by Secretary of State Warren Christopher for Milosevic and presidents Alija Izetbegovic of Bosnia and Franjo Tudiman of Croatia, according to an account from a US official.

And Christopher himself told news agency correspondents he wanted "tangible action" from Milosevic - widely seen in the West as the only man who can ensure that the pair, both indicted as war criminals, leave the scene. At the luncheon at Geneva's

Hotel Intercontinental, the US told reporters, "Christopher said the continued presence [in power] of Karadzic and Mladic was intolerable and that they should go to the Hague."

The Dutch city is the seat of the United Nations war crimes tribunal, which has issued the indictment against both men for their

role in the three-and-a-half year

pact negotiated in Dayton, Ohio, last November.

Christopher told his guests they should all be complying with the Dayton pact, which provided for the removal of indicted war criminals, and then pointedly thanked only Izetbegovic and Tudjman for cooperating with the tribunal, the official said.

While the talks were under way, some 3,000 Alhanians staged a demonstration a few hundred meters away calling for Milosevic himself to be indicted at the Hague over repression against Albanians in the Serbian province

The three Balkan presidents came to Geneva for a day of talks with Christopher on prospects for full implementation of the Dayton accords and especially the holding of all-Bosnian elections set for September.

At the luncheon - also attended by officials of Russia, France, Germany and Britain who are linked with the United States in the peace process - it was agreed the vote should go ahead even if conditions were not perfect, diplo-

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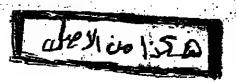
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A mockingbird sings in Khan square

HELEN KAYE

Harper Lee doesn't

HEY come to Monroeville from all over the world looking for

A. Harper Lee, the creator of To Kill A Mockingbird, and for the

1930s world she created. But there's no "Mockingbirdland" and

Harper Lee doesn't live there any more. She lives in New York for

most of the year, coming back to Monroeville for the winter, when

She was born in 1926 and moved to New York in the 1950s. The

huge success of To Kill o Mockingbird and torrent of admiration

that followed so unnerved this shy, almost reclusive, woman that

she has never written another book. She also almost never gives

She based the character of Atticus Finch on that of her lawyer

father, Amasa Lee. The town of Maycomb was a barely ficcional-

ized version of Monroeville, itself characteristic of the southern

To Kill o Mockingbird bas sold more than 30 million copies

live here anymore

OW come tickets to a play from a small Alabama town sold out two days after they went on sale? Maybe it's because the play is To Kill a Mockingbird based on the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel by Harper Lee, the town's most celebrated daughter.

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Six years ago the good folk of Mouroeville mounted the play in their town, and it has played there every year since, seen by thousands of visitors. Now, in the context of Jerusalem 3000 and the Israel Festival, the 21-member cast and crew of Ta Kill a Mockingbird, backed up by a 14-member gospel choir, will present three perfor-mances of the drama at the Jerusalem Khan from tomorrow.

Two years ago, explains Mockingbird director Kathy McCoy, she met with Israeli consul Ariel Mekel who was looking for a cultural exchange between Alabama and Israel. They decided that To Kill o Mockingbird "is a story that both the people of Alabama and the people of Israel relate to; it's a story of justice and injustice, of love and hate and of a people struggling to break old bar-riers and learn new values," as McCoy says in the show's landsome program. . . .

The novel has never gone out of print since its publication in 1960, but what most people remember is the heart-wrenching 1963 Academy Award-winning film that starred Gregory Peck as Atticus Finch, the lawyer who defends a black man unjustly accused of rap-

"Sure we all saw the movie," happily roars Presbyterian minister Mort McMillan, one of the two men who alternate in the role of Atticus. The other is Everette Price, and he's a lawyer.

When Mort does Atticus, he puts a lot of his preaching into it." says dance student Claire McKinley who plays, as she puts it, "po' white trash" Mayella Ewell, who accuses Tora Robinson of raping her. "He [McMillan] tries to make me see how wrong I am. Everette is firmer. When he crossexamines me, he's mean as hell."

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worldwide and been translated into 10 languages.

In the South of the 1930s, any white was better than any "nigra," and the all-male, all-white jury convicts Tom even though Atticus proves him innocent.

"It wasn't too long back since Alabama [first] let women on juries," says Price, who's been practicing law for 30 years. In the '50s and '60s, Alabama was one of the southern states that had to be dragged kicking and screaming toward civil rights for blacks.

"On a scale of one to 100 I'd say that the lot of black people has improved to 75," says Charlie

McCorvey is running for his second term as a Monroe county commissioner. He's on vacation, but he's still politicking over the phone from the Jerusalem hotel where the group is staying.

McCorvey, who plays Tom. Indeed

IN THE beginning, playing Tom was difficult and even today, McCorvey owns, he has to gulp a little before the show and put his mindset back into the time frame of the old days."

What makes the play special for him is the idea "that friendship [between peoples] is learned." The enduring appeal of To Kill a Mockingbird is also based on the lave, friendship and respect between Ameus and his children, Scout (Stewart Coxwell) and Jem (Jared Handley).

Lawyer Price says that "Atticus demonstrates the influence that one decent man who acts for the right can have on his children. A man who would be true to himself can't live one way at home and another in town."

Preacher McMillan first played Anicus "15 years ago when I was living in Tupelo. Mississippi, after a bad racial incident. What impresses me is the respect he has for everybody, however evil their actions. They are people and so worthy of respect. When Tom is shot trying to escape from jail and Scout cries out to her father 'how could they do that to Tom?' he says because he wasn't Tom to them.

In Monroeville the trial scene of Ta Kill a Mockingbird is played in the old Monroe county courthouse



In Kathy McCoy's version of the play, Mort McMillan (left) plays Atticus Finch. Ray Sasser (right) plays Tom Robinson.

on which the courthouse of the film was precisely modeled.

The first act takes place on various porches and lawns throughout the town. Here the first act will take place in the Khan courtyard where

the andience will have to cram itself into comers and onto the balconies. The second act will move inside "and the Khan made us replicas of the benches, chairs and the judge's desk," says McCay, whose

idea the production was in the first place.

Some of the lines aren't quite the way dramatist Christopher Sergel wrote them, she adds, "because

A bit Moore vanity would be too much

ADINA HOFFMAN

Demi Moore Alec Baldwin Joseph Gordon-Levitt ... Anne Heche

s the title character in Brian Gibson's psychological thriller, The Juror, Demi Moore is supposed to be a single: mother who naively agrees to serve on the jury of a maffa case and soon finds herself the target of a brutal scheme to rig the verdict. A shadowy figure played by Alec Baldwin vows that unless she votes to acquit the powerful mobster, great harm will come to her

The part is trademark Demi: a chance to look good and exemplify some twisted Hollywood notion of moral rectitude. In the improbable opening scenes, for example, she displays a peculiar eagerness to serve on the jury of the notorious mob boss. 'I need a little excitement," she declares after admitting with a broad smile that she never reads newspapers. Far from being a character flaw, this plainspoken confession is clearly meant to endear her to a large cross section

of the film's audience. But she doesn't stay clueless for long. Shortly after the picture begins, she receives her first threat

and has the next two hours in which to wise up and fight back. By the end, of course, she has proven herself tougher, meaner and more calculating than any of the first cal

thing and ugly at its core, but it seems to come much more easily to Moore than the stance of the damsel in distress. As the highest paid actress in Hollywood and the willpower behind a self-promotion campaign that apparently knows no bounds (rumor has it that the makers of Moore's next film, Striptease, were forced to delay shooting while she struggled to lose a few extra pounds), she seems to know a thing or two about toughness and calculation.

Needless to say, Moore's vanity gets old quickly, and it clogs up her movies, drawing much more attention to the star than the makebelieve people she plays. Think of her recent turn as Hester Prynne the playboy bunny in Roland Joffe's botched The Scarlet Letter. Her character in The Juror, meanwhile, can't utter a word that does-

o't flatter the actress. Moore could stand to learn from. her co-star, Alec Baldwin, who's not afraid to use his good looks and abundant seductive charms to sneakier ends. Here, Baldwin plays a completely compelling thug - a man who speaks in a hoarse whisper and fixes his pale blue eyes lasciviously on his victim. Will he kiss her or kill her? We never know for sure, and Baldwin makes a great show of stringing us along.



Demi Moore's character in 'The Juror' cannot utter a word that doesn't flatter the actress.

from Anne Heche, an actress previ-

ously unknown to me. She plays

Moore's best friend, a wise-crack-

ing doctor with a quick tomboy

stride and sexy laugh, and manages

to bring to her few fleeting scenes

more energy and intelligence than

Moore does to the entire movie.

Alas, the filmmakers are oot so sly. Once the basic situation has been established, Ted Tally's script, based on a novel by George Dawes Green, wanders every which way and manages the neat frick of seeming at once haphazard and predictable. The story has the you-can't-trust-either-side-of-thelaw feel of a John Grisham movie/paperback, but it lacks the uncluttered forward thrust of that

writer's potboiler plots. Aside from Baldwin, the film's one small flicker of interest comes

Exciting Brahms, compressed Beethoven

UE to the illness of the clarinetist in the Lincolo Center's Chamber Music Society. Dvorak's little-known, disappointing Terzetto for two violins and viola replaced Prokofiev's Overture on Hebrew Themes.

Shostakovich's Sonata for Cello and Piano was worth bearing if only to realize what kind of bal-last the composer had to throw overboard in order to arrive finalchamber works.

Brahms's Piano Quartet No.1 justified the decision to bring these musicians here.

This exciting, tension-laden performance brought out Brahms's heart-rending harmonies with drive and involvement. Jerusalem Theater, Moy 26.

IN this marathon festival, Beethoven's sonatas for cello and

piana - all five of them, camposed aver a period of 20 years were compressed into one recital by Boris Pergamenschikow and Rene Francois Duchable. The more ane hears

Pergameoschikow-Duchable play Beethaven the more enjoyable it is; but it would be even more enjoyable if they split the recital into two concerts of more easily digestible dimensions.

The two youthful sonatas (Op. 5) were performed with all their engaging playfulness.

Pergam-enschikow seems to have all the time in the world to savor a melodic phrase to its end, ISRAEL FESTIVAL **URY EPPSTEIN**

allowing it to fade out before the next one starts. All this is achieved particularly in the lighthearted Op. 69 (of "Pastoral" Symphony vintage), without los-iog sight of the whole and without ever disturbing the flow.

The willful: unpredictable later Beethoven was brought to life by two musicians in the two sonatas

Here melody and rhythm cease to reign supreme, and the composer, in Pergamenschikow and Duchable's insightful interpretatian, leads the way to more abstract and transcendent, magic

Jerusalem Theater, May 29.

ONLY the vivacity and freshness of their sound betrayed the youthful years of the members of the Joint Chamber Orchestra of the Paris Conservatoire and the Jerusalem Rubin Academy, conducted by Eduard Schmieder. The orchestra sounded as if forged

into one well-consolidated whole. Minute shadings of dynamics were evideot in a Mendelssohn string symphony; gripping excitement and sensitivity to Shostakovich's String Quartet

Barshai, This conductor seems to have a peculiar preference for arranged works. While Barshai's arrangements remain faithful tothe composer's spirit, Mahler deprived

No. 8, arranged for orchestra by

String 95) of its intimacy. One would have welcomed a talented academy student as soloist with the orchestra, instead af one of its teachers, violinist Michael Kugel, in Kopytman's Kaddish.

Admirably as he performed it, his youth orchestra concert just seemed to cry out far a young

The only probable reason for including a ridiculous Fantasy on allegedly Jewish themes seemed to be that its composer, Nicolas Pormoy, is the director of the Paris Canservatoire that sent half of the orchestra here.

Jerusalem Theater, May 28.

Rishon orchestra strikes major record deal

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

HEN the Israel Symphony Orchestra Rishon Lezion plays more than its expect-ed share of Tchaikovsky music next season, its performances will not remain only within the Tel Aviv Performing Arts Center but will reach music lovers all over the world.

As a result of an unprecedented musical feat, the orchestra has signed a deal wish the Koch International Discovery label to record all of Tchaikovsky's orchestral music - operas and ballets included - in a 35-disc special edition.

The deal was signed by orchestra general director Menahem Shai and maestro Alexander Rahbari, who conducted the orchestra a couple of months ago and at the same time was appointed music director of the new budget disc label.

The first set of recordings will take place in various halls in Israel, Shai says, adding that the final set of recordings will take place in our new concert hall in Rishon Lezion which will open in the fall of 1997." It will be the first and only concert hall in the country where it will be possible to record a program with a full symphony orchestra and a 120-member choir.

Asher Fisch, music director of the orchestra, has no problems with the extra added volume of Tchaikovsky next season. "Rahbari decided that our orchestra has the right sound for Tchaikovsky, which

is not surprising."

Next season, Fisch will lead his orchestra in the fall: Russian composer's first symphony while in the fall: Rahbari will perform an all-Tchaikovsky program with the fourth symphony, the violin concerto and the

Romeo and Juliet fantasy overture: "Once I was idealistic and naive and thought that the right thing to do was to play just contemporary music. But we have to be practical and I don't think that's a dirty word," says Fisch, who also leads operas and concerts in the major halls of Vienna, Munich and Berlin. Fisch tries to avoid, as much as possible, the by oow mundane format of an overtureconcerto-symphony programming. This format means that a huge oumber of first-rate works are oot performed because they do not fall into any of these categories. But I would never program any work which I think the audience will find unpleasant to lis-

Fisch will lead the orchestra in four of its eight subscription concerts next season, conducting at times lesser known works such as Schubert's Stabat Mater or the Bartok divertimento, participating also as a soloist in Beethoven's triple concerto. He also plays the piano in the orchestra's chamber-music series which takes place 90 minutes prior to every concert at the TAPC side stage.

Indeed, Fisch believes that his orchestra should do much more than play in the pit for the New Israeli Opera productions. "Of course we are an opera orchestra but if the Tel Aviv Performing Arts Center will become a real musical center and we will be its

house orchestra I will be much happier."

Bot Fisch adds that he does not "believe we can da anything more popular for the audience than what we offer next season," which opens in September and features, among others, Mahler's fourth symphony, the Sibelius violin concerto and Bloch's Schelomo and Sacred Service featuring musicians such as cellist Mischa Maisky, pianists Natasha Tadson and Pnina Salzman, and on the podium Vernon Handley and Mendi Rodan.



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The Sharansky phenomenon

PERHAPS the greatest surprise in a Knesset election commend and a Knesset election and a set election crammed with the unexpected was the showing of the Yisrael Ba'aliya Party. It is the first "Russian" party to pass the Knesset threshold, and the first immigrant party ever to gaio seven seats. A brand new party is oow a political force to reckon with.

This spectacular success is due mostly to Natan Sharansky's leadership and visioo. Sharansky, who never wanted to form an immigrant party, always insisted that immigrants should integrate into Israeli society and participate in its political life according to their personal preferences, rather than their countries of origio. But after toying with the idea of leading a centrist party four years ago - and finding virtually no takers among veteran Israelis - he realized that the sheer numbers of the newcomers and their unique problems warranted the formation of a separate political eotity.

What seemed to motivate Sharansky most was his cooviction that the establishment's indifference to aliya was symptomatic of a general malaise to Israeli society. The Zionist idea is, after all, based on the ingathering of Jews in Israel. If the immigrants' absorption and integration are neglected, if they are maligned rath-· than helped, and if their vast talents are

wasted in a bureaucratic jungle, there is some-thing rotten in the State of Israel. And unless the rot is removed, not only aliya but the state itself

This is why one of the main clauses in Yisrael Ba'aliya's ageoda is a call to free Israel's ecooomy. And this is why the party can make an immense contributioo to the country's welfare if it serves not only as a lobby for oew immigrants, but as a catalyst for a sorely oeeded economic revolutioo.

No one knows better than Sharansky that economic growth in receot years has almost nothing to do with the peace process and almost everything to do with the flood of brains, talent, and energy from the former Soviet Union. The ecocomy's strides began sooo after the opening of the Soviet Union's gates, reaching a peak in the last year of the Likud's rule. In fact, the achievements in the pre-Oslo years were more impressive than in the years that followed, mostly because of the Labor government's traditional addiction to spending on pay raises for the bureaucracy and on subsidies for the kibbutzim and the Kupat Holim Clalit bealth fund.

Sharansky has said that a truly free, opeo market ecooomy can change the climate of the country so dramatically that Jews will come to Israel oot because they bave to, but because they want to. There are virtually no places in the world today where Jews feel persecuted. And if Israel wants to attract millions from Russia and the West, it will have to offer the kind of living standards and career opportunities which can compete with those of the Westero democracies.

As premier-designate Binyamin Netanyaho said yesterday in his victory speech, Israel can have one of the leading economies. Thanks largely to the recent immigration from the former USSR, it now has one of the most impressive coocentrations of brain power in the world, All it must do is turn its economy, still a bastion of strangulating ceotralism, into a truly free ecocomy. It is up to Sharansky, a political leader of unique moral force and integrity, to see to it that Netanyahu's promise is turned into

Dithering on

Britain at times seems to run its policy.

On Northern Ireland like a person who haves decisions for the decisions for the decisions. bases decisions for the day on whether he manages to avoid walking oo the cracks in the sidewalk. If this is an ecceptric way to organize a life, it is an eveo more eccentric way to run a peace process.

Oo the Northern Ireland question, the British government first demanded an IRA cease-fire before it would allow its political wing, Sinn Fein, to participate to talks oo the future of the province. When it got the cease-fire, it then demanded that IRA weapons be handed over before Sino Fein could join all-party talks. When the independent American-led commission headed by Senator George Mitchell coocluded that this was an unreasonable procedural obstacle. Loodon, which bad agreed to accept the Mitchell report, ignored this ruling and jumped off at a tangeot to suggest elections in Northern Ireland, which would mandate delegates to an all-party conference. The IRA promptly called of its 18-mooth cease-fire last February, pleading British bad faith.

Nonetheless, Sinn Fein reluctantly cootested the electioo Britaio insisted on, and woo an upprecedented 15.5 percent of the ballot. That clearly makes party leader Gerry Adams more than eligible to represent the oationalist sector who voted for him in the proposed June 10 talks. Britain's first reaction was to bring the process back to square one by declaring Adams canoot take his seat uotil the IRA declares a oew cease-fire and disarms. The government then backtracked slightly and said Adams could join the conference before the IRA agreed to disarm, but not if there is oo declared cease-fire.

Government dithering is always more dangerous than downright obstinacy, and the government of John Major is an undisputed virtuoso of the dither. Its apparent slight backtracking concessioo to Sinn Fein was immediately assailed by hardline Protestant Unionists as a "sellout," plunging the all-party talks into crisis detore it is eved conveoed at ali.

The talks, which have taken years of tortuous Anglo-Irish diplomacy to cooveoe, are certainly threatened anyway by the usual cocktail of political intransigence and militia warfare that they are supposed to solve. The last thing the mixture needed was to be shaken by a clumsy British hand.

The Northern Ireland election oobody wanted - but everyooe joined as a gesture of good faith - is out of the way. All sides proved their point and brought out an unprecedented 70 perceot of their voters. It was up to Britain to bite the bullet and say fine, let the talks begin without cooditions in a hopeful atmosphere. The IRA cease-fire may be officially eoded, but there have been no attacks at all in Northern Ireland since it first began and oone in England for several mooths.

This, of course, in oo way excuses the IRA for its failure to abandoo violence as a political tool in Ireland, but given the deep suspicion and mistrust of Britain in the province - eveo on the side of its "loyalists" - Major should have generously accepted Sinn Fein's electoral mandate and taken it from there. All he has succeeded in doing is ooce again calling out the propbets of doom to preside over the June 10



And the fight goes on

FTER an election the winners tradicionally bring out the champagne, and the losers start explaining.

In Israel's last two elections, it was about one percent of the electorate that determined who ended up celebrating, and who explain-

This is quite naturally infuriating for the losers; but it is part of a given. All they can do, therefore, is adapt to the new situation, take stock, draw whatever conclusions they can, and continue the fight for what they believe in.

There is one conclusion that this election's losers - especially Labor - do need to draw: that with Israel's current demographic and cultural balance oot favorable to Labor and the left, Yitzhak Rabin would have had a far hetter chance of tipping the scales in Labor's direction.

This has nothing to do with opinions and positions, but rather with character and personality,

The shock of Rabin's assassination might have helped Shimon Peres had the elections been held immediately afterwards. - hut after six months, the effect had worn off.

Would it have benefited Peres had Labor's election campaign made more of the assassination and the incitement that preceded know which 145,000 voters put a hlank hallot paper into the yellow envelope, nor bow many might have been persuaded to climb off the fence onto Peres's side had the assassination been more prominently featured. The possibility that this might have boomeranged to Binyamin Netanyahu's advantage cannot be ruled out.

Was there anything Peres could have done to minimize the effect of his personality problem? It's difficult to say. Would, for examSUSAN HATTIS ROLEF

ple, the appointment of former chief of staff Ehud Barak as defense minister after the recent wave of terror attacks have made people more confident about Peres's leadership? Would diverting some of the campaign's attention from Peres to the positive effects of the peace process on Israel's status in the world and its economy have had an effect? It's impossible to tell. Rather than blaming Haim

Labor needs to elect a new leader whose appeal goes beyond his natural constituency

Ramon, who ran Labor's campaign, for not managing to get another 30,000 voters from among the 145,000 who decided. not to decide between the two "Netanyahu's own, perforcandidates for premier to Vote for Peres, Ramon deserves credit for persuading some 200,000 voters who didn't vote for Labor, Meretz or the Arab parties to vote for

Ramon should oot be made the scapegoat of a reality over which had had no control.

WHAT IS this reality? It is that a clear majority of Israeli voters either belong to the brand of Zionists who still see our conflict with the Palestinians as a zerosum game; or are religious Jews, many of whom do not define themselves as Zionists in the national sense, and wouldn't mind if Israel ceased to be a democracy

in the universal sense. They believe that secular right-wingers are better for the Jews and for Judaism than secular left-wingers.

Among Jewish voters, those who believe that the Zionist enterprise can only survive if a militarily powerful Israel integrates into the Middle East at the cost of relinquishing most of the areas it occupied in 1967 and its rule over the 2.5 million Palestinians who inhabit them, and at the same time put universal humanitarian principles over Halacha, are a minority. The votes of Israel's Arab residents and of fringe groups like the anti-Zionists of Netorei Karta are insufficient to turn this minority into a majority.

Since a change in the above reality by the year 2000 is unlikely, what must Labor do?

Over the coming four years it must elect a oew leader, one whose appeal goes beyond his natural constituency. Ramon, Barak and Uzi Baram are all suitable candidates.

But wbether any of them can reverse the results of the 1996 elections will also depend on. mance.

If be demonstrates understanding that cootinuing the peace process depends, inter alia, on his negotiators being able to deal their establishing good relation-ships with their Palestinian counterparts; and if he realizes that further liberalization of the economy and bringing down social barriers cannot be entrusted in the hands of a man whose methods are Bolshevik and goals chauvinistic, the task of Labor's next leader will be that much more difficult.

The writer is a political scien-

SHACHAR LOSHINSKY

T was a harrowing evening. No one was objective, oo one was apathetic. It was war, and there were winners and losers. The winners were dancing up a storm, and the losers were sulking away from their headquarters, dragging posters behind them.

Who knew that the expressions adoming the faces glued to the TV sets would change so drastically? It can happeo in a democracy. Every vote counts, and in the race for prime minister a few votes made all the difference.

The postmortems in the Labor Party began as soon as the tide turned in the middle of the fateful night between Wednesday and Thursday. The possible coalition and ministerial scenarios were analyzed in the Likud as soon as the tables turned, and the pollsters were sent home to relearn their trade. The people decided that the pollsters were wrong. It

was democracy at work. What boggles my mind isn't that a majority of citizens chose their future prime minis-ter hased on their own opinions and not someone else's, it's that the leader of this country was chosen by such a narrow margin, I am deeply concerned about the polarization this illustrates, but the system worked. It was working earlier in the evening when Shimon Peres was ahead in the polls, and it ultimately worked when it turned out that Binyamio Netanyahu was ahead in reali-

What upsets me is the view among those whose choice for premier didn't win that democracy was working when their candidate was ahead, and the fact that he didn't win shows democracy failed. Democracy isn't in the eye of the beholder. Amid the music and celebrating taking place, albeit prematurely, at Labor headquarters. Yael Dayan was asked about the slight margin by which Peres was seemingly winning. Her answer. One vote alone above 50 percent was all that was necessary to give the pre-sent government the go-shead

There was unconstraided glee at Meretz and Labor beadquarters at the prospect of rushing ahead with plans that a large proportion of citizens were obviously uncomfortable with. There was no talk of the bopeless split io the natioo that the results were indicating, only about the beauty of democracy. The majority, however slight, was paving the way for the winning team to go full speed ahead.

to continue with its policies,

They must become whole. It's the only way

Polls, policy & the public

BINYAMIN Netanyahu won the vote for the premiership against Shimon Peres by the tiniest sliver of a majority. But in the vote for the Knesset the parties opposed to the Oslo agreement or the manner of its implementation by the outgoing Labor-Meretz gov-ernment won 68 seats against 52 for the parties supporting it.

The unprecedented number of hlank ballots cast in the vote for the prime minister - 145,000, only 12,000 among the Arab voters - was further indication that popular opposition to Peres was much broader than the mere 50.4 percent who voted for Netanyahu.

We now know that Labor's campaign strategists and managers, and Peres himself, were fully aware of the widespread opposition to the policies they have pursued so relentlessly over the past three years. On Friday night's Channel 1 TV newsmasazine Labor campaign manager Haim Ramon said that his and the party's entire election strategy had been based on this realization.

Ramon said he understood early on that a majority of the public was opposed to the government's Oslo policy, and that therefore the only hope of getting Peres elected was to emphasize his personal statute as a statesman of world renown and his experience, in contrast to Netanyahu's lack of experience.

Ramon added that he had resisted demands from many of his colleagues that, as a last resort, they wheel out the heavy artillery: video footage of the Rabin assassination, Ramon was afraid, he said, that resorting to an all-out attack on the Likud and Netanyahu, trying blame them for the assassination, might well drive traditional Likud voters toying with the idea of voting for Peres back into the Likud fold.

Amnon Barzilai, writing in yesterday's Ha'aretz, comes up with similar evidence on the secret parallei pollsters employed by Peres's French confidant Jean Friedman, YOSEF GOELL

who were coming up with evidence that Peres was sure to lose because a majority of the public opposed his polices.

In the light of these readings, the official Labor campaign strategy expressed by the slogan "For a Stroog Israel, With Peres," was eminently intelligent and reasonable - and eminently dishonest.

Democracy requires that the nation not be lied to

Did anyone in Labor consider the possibility that with the majority of the nation clearly opposing the extent to which the Rabin-Peres government had gone to implement the Oslo agreements, Peres ought perhaps to moderate his policy?

WHAT WAS needed was not a hypocritical attempt by Labor to become a Likud clone, but a finetuning of policy regarding those components to which a majority of the public was clearly Opposed.

For the better part of a year opinion polls had indicated that a clear majority consistently opposed cediog the Golan Heights to Syria, even in exchange for a full peace; and were apalled by the failure to hold Arafat and the Palestinian Authority to their commitments to fight continuing terrorism and revoke the clauses in the PLO Charter cailing for Israel's annihi-

lation. Following the Rabin assassination Labor and the left correctly demanded that the religious right from whose educational milieu the

assassin sprang, had much soul-scarching to do. Following these elections, which were touted both by Labor and the Likud as a popular referendum on the Oslo process, Labor and the left have much-soul searching to do on the true meanmg of democracy.

This is all the more appropriate since Labor and the left have set themselves up as the defenders of true democracy in Israel against the anti-democractic tendencies attributed to the right and the religious

Democracy doesn't mean that elected political leaders should always trim their policy sails to the vagaries of public opinion. But democracy does require that when a government's policies are submit-ted to the judgment of the elec-torate, the people should not be lied

In the 1992 elections Yitzhak Rabin clearly committed himself never to cede the Golan in negotiations with the Syrians, nor to negotiate with the PLO. He broke both promises

But he clearly hoped that results in the interim would persuade a majority of the electorate of the correctness of his own change of mind by the time elections came around. Netanyahu and the Likud also mis-

led the electorate on the degree of their commitment to a "safe peace." The difference between Labor's and the Likud's dishonesty is that with Labor the public was voting on a clear record of government policy, whereas with Netanyahu and the Likud we are dealing primarily with suspicions concerning their intentions, well-founded or not.

The electorate's clear rejection of Peres and Labor should serve as a warning to Netanyahu. A skeptical public gave him the benefit of the doubt, in the expectation that he would deliver on his own promises by the next elections.

The writer comments on current

SEVERAL hours later, democracy took a beating. It was no longer the beautiful savior, but the puppet of manipulating voters who had the gail to choose another option.

Naomi Chazan, interviewed oo IBA English News oo Thursday evening, was no longer dancing. With a somber expression, the Meretz MK fervently boped Netanyahn would realize the nation was split. She explained the importance of taking the losing half into consideration when determining policy. She sat there representing the hattered half of a nation still in shock over the fact that other people were cantiously, optimistically, smiling.

I seldom agree with Chazan. However, J agree with her now. The country is split just about down the middle. Democracy did its job, but it wreaked havoc in the process. Now it's ome to clean up the streets and hegin a healing process crucial for a nation about to make historic deci-STOOS.

There must he a way to move ahead in the peace process withoot steamrolling over half the nation, to strengthen the Jewish character of the state without shoving religion down each other's throats.

The two halves must become whole. It's our ooly chance. Not because it is what the now-defeated side was planning, but because it's right. Democracy isn't about beat-ing each other. It's about

everyone having a voice, and all voices being beard. The writer is chairperson of the Department of English in

the School for Overseas Students at the Hebrew University.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR PROFESSIONALISM

IN OPTOMETRY

Sir, - When Ruthie Blum's article of May 8 about fraudulent eye specialists was brought to my attention, I was very surprised and upset because the article implied I said things that I did not.

My meeting with Ruthie Blum took place at the Union of Commerce on the recommendation of Mrs. Aliza Liram, the former director of the Consumer Council in Jerusalem. Our discussion was to give Ruthie a guideline for research and not an interview to base her article

The meeting was conducted in Hebrew, and translating it to English dramatically changed the connotation.

I am on the board of the National Federation of Commerce in Israel. 1 volunteer my time and effort in a public role out of concern for the Union of Commerce for professionalism and the responsibility to the public as a whole. This was the basis of our meeting, the care of the public. My concern was to express the importance of professionalism in optometry according to the law, for

the safety of the public. BAT-SHEVA DAFFAN, Optics Coordinator, National Federation of Commerce

1946 YISHUV RESIDENTS

Sir, - I am a producer with the BBC in Britain, working on a new history series of Radio 4 called On This Day, which every weekday revisits the national and international news from that same day 50 years ago. We try to find people who took part in those events and ask them to

tell their stories. One of the hig stories I am covering is Jewish immigration into the Yishuv and the campaigns against the British Mandate by the Hagana, the Irgun and others. We would like to trace people who were in the Yishuv in 1946 and who sympathized with the aims of the Hagana or who took part in some of their activities. We desperately need to hear from people who were living in Tel Aviv or Jerusalem in particular and who supported the goal of an independent Jewish state.

If you were living in the Yishuv in 1946, we would love to hear from you. Please telephone me on +44 161 244 4169 or write to me at: On This Day, Room 2121, BBC North, PO Box 27, Manchester, M60 1 SJ, UK. All calls will be treated in strictest confidence, and even if you are not sure about being interviewed for the program, we would still love to hear from you. LIBBY CROSS,

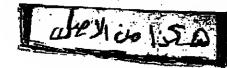
Producer, Manchester. On This Day

ROAD SAFETY Sir, - Once again, the lack of

coordination between departments essential to road safety - Transport, Police and Justice - has resulted in tragedy. Just as in October last year when a truck driver, who had been convicted 17 times for traffic violations, killed 10 on the Ben Shemen-Givat Ze'ev highway, now a bus driver previously convicted of roadsafety violations including speeding has killed four more citizens and seriously injured several others in a crash near Sdom. With proper coordination between departments, these circumstances would not have been a factor. Just one speeding conviction for a public-transport driver should have resulted in withdrawal of his license and entering his name on a central computer so that he could never again he employed in

the same capacity. The State Comptroller has recommended in her latest report of May 1 that the government concentrate accident-prevention efforts in a single body, to act as quickly as possible and include the highest level of professionals in the field. How many more lives have to be tossed aside so callously and senselessly by government indifference and inaction?

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Peace How?

In Israel, Fears Decide Which Road Not to Travel



Benjamin Netanyahu, who was elected last week as Israel's next Prime Minister, campaigning last Sunday in Tel Aviv.

RU STEVEN ERLANGER

WASHINGTON

ITH the narrow election of Benjamin Netanyahu as Israel's Prime Minister last week, the Arab-Israeli peace process that the Clinton Administration worked so hard to guide and manage is effectively dead.

Mr. Netanyahu's slogan of "peace with security" notwithstanding, the particular road to a comprehensive Middle East peace down which the Labor Party started and Bill Clinton traveled has now been blocked.

No matter how quickly Mr. Netanyahu comes to Washingtoo — or how quickly he can forget President Clinton's open endorsement of his rival, Shimon Peres — Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher's rosy dream (shared by many moderate Arab leaders) of an Israeli-Syrlan peace treaty by the end of this year has been dashed by the nightmares of Israeli voters.

Israelis bave a sharper seose of existeotial dread than most people, reasonable enough given their history of Holocaust, discrimination and Arab terrorism. It should have been no great surprise that a significant majority of Israeli Jews would vote their fears in an anxious time, finding Mr. Peres, whose aloofness and

In the end, nothing Washington could do persuaded Israelis to keep Peres in office.

political stumbles make him the Adlai Stevenson of Israeli politics, less credible on the issue that mattered most to them: security.

However understandable the Israeli motivation, the great crapsboot of democratic politics has produced a result that will badly delay, if not destroy, the dream of a wider peace. It can only weaken moderate Arabs like Jordan's King Hussein; it will confirm the Syrian President, Hafez al-Assad, in his deep mistrust of Israeli inteotions, and unless Mr. Netanyahu Is very careful, it will deeply damage and perhaps destroy Yasir Arafat. Palestinians have already criticized their leader for having given the Israelis too much, and he has gambled as much as anyone on Israel's willingness to trade Biblical promises for a mutually reinforcing accommodation with the Palestinians.

Perhaps Mr. Netanyahu, mindful of the extraordinary narrowness of his victory, will take in some Labor ministers, move Israeli troops out of Hebroo as required by the agreements reached so far, and reoege on his promises to start building Israeli settlements again in the West Bank. But even so, it will be almost impossible for him to make peace with Syria.

Mr. Assad has made it clear that peace requires the return of the entire Golan Heights, seized from Syria in the 1967 war; Mr. Netanyahu bas made it clear that he will not give back the Golan. On such a fundamental issue of such a bitter campaign, it would be very difficult to turn a "never" into a "yes."

American officials hope — and the Republican Presidential candidate Bob Dole bas suggested — that Mr. Netanyahu can heed the example of his Likud forebear, Menachem Begin, who made peace with Egypt, or of Richard Nixon, who understood that only a Republican could go to Red China. But there is a problem with this analogy: Mr. Begin didn't make the first move; Anwar el-Sadat did.

Just Ask Christopher

Perhaps, as a former American Ambassador to Israel, Samuel Lewis, suggests, only Mr. Netanyahu can go to Damascus, as if that were the promised land, while Mr. Peres, like Moses, is denied it. But going m Damascus itself will not bring peace, as Mr. Christopher can

attest, without the gift of the Golan.

It may even be that Mr. Assad will choose to renew some kind of oegotiations with Israel, on the theory, as best expressed by Daniel Pipes, an expert on Syria who is editor of Middle East Quarterly, that Mr. Assad is in favor of "the peace process" for the benefits it brings him with Washington, while fearing "peace" for the dangers it will bring to his dictatorial regime.

Mr. Christopher and his top Middle East experts,

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Adoption, the Campaign

Candidates, Yes. But for Parenthood?

By JAN HOFFMAN

ND now word comes that the First Couple has been thinking for a while about a second child, most likely through adoption. But when Hillary Rodham Chiton shared the news with Time magazine last week, she added an important caveat: the Clintons wouldn't seriously consider adopting until after the November election.

Good answer: Mrs. Clinton shows appropriate sensitivity to needs of adoptee

adoptee.

The First Lady had just cleared a hurdle that a social worker might raise about her suitability to adopt. For if the Clintons are earnest about their family expansionist plans, they, like the parents of the 50,000 children adopted in America each year, will bave to submit to a social worker's scrutiny and more on their way

through a long obstacle course.
First stop, the home study: every-

state requires a licensed social worker, who is supposed to represent the best interests of the child, to visit the home. "You can't play head games with these people," cautioned Debra Harder, a spokeswoman for Adoptive Families of America, an adoption information ceoter in Minneapolis. "The social workers are the ones with all the power."

An Odd Couple

Their application would resemble that of many couples — older, well-educated, well-to-do, with one biological child from the marriage. But the application might also present a few unique problems. Like: what sort of quality time can you give a young child while you are President of the

United States?

If the Clintons think scrutiny by the press or by Kenneth W. Starr, the Whitewater independent counsel, has been excessive, they have yet to be

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Posing with children: the Clintons campaigning in 1992.

It's Morning in Moscow

The latest dreamy TV messages from the Russian candidates and their supporting casts.

By Alessandra Stanley

However Deep, Whitewater Still Runs
In rapid succession, two grand
juries, a trial and a Senate report.

By Stephen Labaton

Quantum Leap

Even in physics, can a cat be dead and alive at the same time?

By George Johnson

The World

A Media Campaign Most Russian and Most Unreal

THE NEW YORK TIMES, SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 1996

By ALESSANDRA STANLEY

TRANGELY, there is a dreamy, subdued feel to the political ads of the main candidates contesting the Russian presidential election this month. Pivotal issues and starkly opposing ideologies are at stake, but that is not the message Russian viewers are receiving from their television sets.

As in the plays of Chekhov, there is very little action in the commercials of President Boris N. Yeltsin or his chief opponent, the Communist leader Gennadi A. Zyuganov. At a gentle pace, characters talk and talk, and then talk some more. And, as in the plays of Chekhov, behind the words lie fantasy and exquisite stagecraft.

Mr. Yeltsin does not have even a walk-on part in the 15 spots that seek to restore his fallen image. Instead, ordinary Russians - a farmer, a doctor, a housewife recount their life stories over stirring music and a montage of old lamily snapshots - sepia-tinted evocations of weddings, wartime and babies. Finally, the protagonist appears, speaking earnestly into the camera. A wrinkled peasant woman reminisces about the long hours and food shortages on her Soviet collective. 'Now," she says, "if you work, you can live."

Unlike "The Seagull" or "The Cherry Orchard," Mr. Yelisin's drama in 15 acts puts forth the message

The ads' fanciful images help obscure the fear of election results like civil unrest.

that life in Russia isn't so bad after all, despite what polls and the Communists say. Though their indirection and goosebumpy emotional tug mostly recall General Electric ads ("We bring good things to life"), the sponsor is actually the President of Russia, The only pitch is a few words scrawled at the bottom of the screen, "I love, I believe, I hope, B.N. Yeltsin."

It is not all that surprising that candidates are putting forward warm, soothing images. More than anything else, voters fear that the election results may unleash civil unrest and yet another bout of instability and chaos, Mr. Yeltsin, Mr. Zyuganov and even the bad boy of Russian politics, Vladimir V. Zhirinovsky, are all seeking to cast themselves as voices of reason and moderation. And television is the medium.

According to a survey by the All-Russian Center for the Study of Public Opinion, 60 percent of Russians get



Gennadi A. Zyuganov, the Communist Party candidate, speaks to a "journalist" in his advertisement.

their news from television. Only 18 percent of respondenis sald they read a newspaper every day, and only 17 percent said that mass media coverage of the elections "has no influence oo me." Yet in comparison with more blasé voters in the West, Russians appear to remain quite interested in politics.

It is primarily through commercials that voters hear the messages of all the candidates, since commercials are the only means candidates have of obtaining anythiog close to "equal time." State-owned television news programs blatantly favor Mr. Yeltsin. So do those on privately owned networks. Mr. Yelisin can afford not to show his face in his political ads - he dominates news programming. Even his strongest challenger, Mr. Zyuganov, is barely detectable on Russian news programs:

So candidates rely on commercials. In the campaign, each of the I1 contenders is awarded half an hour of free time on each of the three state-owned networks, and can also buy another half-hour. They can also buy as much time as they like on the two private networks. In the provinces, they are entitled to 30 minutes of free time and 30 minutes of paid time on local state-owned TV, and can buy time on private channels.

Mr. Yeltsin has another advantage: state televisioo and many cable stations are airing jazzy spots for pro-Yeltsin concerts featuring Russia's top pop stars. The producers claim that because the spots do not mention Mr. Yeltsin by name - the logo, in shocking pink and green, is "Our President" - the ads are public-service messages. The concerts, moreover, are a tie-in to a daily MTV-style variety show aimed at getting out the youth vote, called "Choose or Lose," which is also considered public-service programming, though it looks uncannily like a Yeltsin promotion. "We don't hide what we want," Dmitri Tugarin, a program spokesman admitted cheerfully. "But formally, it's not a political show."



A photo from an elderly woman's album in a television commercial for Boris N. Yeltsin.

Mr. Zyuganov does not plan to air any paid advertisements on national TV until June 13, three days before the first round of voting. But he too bas made surprisingly artistic use of his free TV time.

Unlike most other candidates, he wisely eschews the stiff format of the candidate reading a teleprompter in a studio. (Staring uncomfortably into the camera, the charismatic nationalist, former Gen. Aleksandr 1. Lebed, appears so uptight and wan that he looks like a hostage reciting his captor's message at gunpoint.)

In Their Dreams

One of Mr. Zyuganov's commercials opens with a shot of a white barge sailing serenely down a river, another of a blue-and-gold church dome, and scenes of a giant crowd - orderly, young and happy (only a few red banners) - demonstrating in Moscow. The camera pans to a park, and there, seated on a bench, Mr. Zyuganov, in a dove-gray suit, speaks softly and thoughtfully: "I just want a man to be able to calmly get up in the morning and go to work knowing that he will be paid what he earned and if he worked well, that he will get support and encouragement." The camera pulis back to reveal the head of what appears to be a woman journalist. (Actually, the woman is an alde in his press office.)

"If the Communists come to power," she asks gently, "what will follow? Will they confiscate private property?" Mr. Zyuganov sighs knowingly. "If you start confiscating property tomorrow there will be shooting all over the country the day after. It will be 100 times more horrifying than Chechnya." He goes on to explain the need for a mixed economy.

The message is simple. This man is not a raving Marxist. But the ad also serves as wish-fulfillment. In his real TV interviews Mr. Zyuganov appears edgy and



Vladimir V.- Zhirinovsky's spot has him ranting about imported "fried chicken" in the market.

evasive in the face of hostile questions. In his ads, he has staged the journalistic encounter of his dreams.

Of course, there is plenty of fantasy in Mr. Yeltsin's vignettes as well, namely that people all over Russia are contemplative and content, and mostly worried about a return to Soviet-era hardships.

Video International, the Russian ad agency producing Mr. Yeltsin's spots, did not hire actors. Its market research director, Mikhail Margelov, explained that It sent advance crews across the country, scouring small towns and cities for photogenic people willing to speak on behalf of the President. The crews filmed each potential subject for hours. They also screened each vignette before focus groups. (A sailor who said he was perfectly satisfied with his salary was rejected because focus groups found the claim totally unbelievable.)

Grigori Yavlinsky, the liberal economist and presidential candidate, favors montages of postcards of real people writing him kind words of hope and encouragement. Even the tempestuous, rabble-rousing Mr. Zhirinovsky is seeking to ease anxiety.

Famous for his irreverent and often risque political ads, Mr. Zhirinovsky in this election is sharing his inner child with viewers. Along with old baby pictures, one of his free commercials recreates his mother's deathbed scene. The viewer sees the back of Mr. Zhirinovsky's head - actually, the head of an actor - leaning forward to hear the faint last words of his mother, played by an actress: "Life has passed, Volodya, and nothing to remember, oot a single bappy day."

Mr. Zhirinovsky has not undergone a complete change of identity. In one of his 30-second pald ads, be is his old self: picking up a frozen chicken at a market he reads the English-language label - "fried chicken" and screams at the vendor, "There, see! This is how we are destroying our own agriculture."

Israel's Decision Shuts One Path to Peace

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Dennis Ross and Aaron Miller, saw the danger. They feared in January that elections might backfire, as Mr. Peres was belatedly giving in to the temptation to call an early election.

Mr. Peres was hoping finally to win a mandate of his own as Prime Minister alter a series of humiliating failures. But the Americans were more interested in an Israeli-Syrlan peace by November, in time to help Mr. Clinton's re-election campaign. They thought they had a commitment from Mr. Assad to press ahead. And they knew the three-month Israeli election campaign would put a halt to serious negotiations.

They also worried quietly that all elections involve risks and that Mr. Peres had a reputation among Israelis as a devious intriguer. They worried about the possibility of terrorism from the Palestinians of Hamas and the Shiite Muslim Lebanese of Hezbollah, backed by Iran and Syria.

But while the Americans worried and advised, they could not really interfere with the democratic workings of so close an ally. And Mr. Peres, as so often in the past, got his timing wrong. Rather than moving immediately to ex-

ploit the outrage over the Nov. 4 assassination of Yitzhak Rabin by calling elections last winter, Mr. Peres, a European-born intellectual, thought it unseemly. By the time he gave in to the sirens' song and called an early election, it was too late.

Some have suggested that the American effort to bring a final peace to the Middle East - a bipartisan effort that Mr. Ross and Mr. Miller began under George Bush - never accomplished as much as the force of history, with the Soviet collapse increasing Palestinian desperation even as fsrael grew wealthy. It was the Norwegians who brought the Israelis and Pales-

tinlans together for the Oslo accords, and the peace with Jordan was more the work of King Hussein and Mr. Peres than of Mr.

But the Americans acted as the impresarios, and their labors this year to keep the process going have been extraordinary. Understanding that the central requirement was to assuage the fears of Israelis after the death of Mr. Rabin and to persuade them to vote for Mr. Peres, the Administration threw evenhandedness out the window of the incessant peace shuttle.

When Hamas suicide bombers killed 63 people in March and Mr. Peres's ratings plummeted, Mr. Clintoo organized the Sharm el-Sheik summit meeting and made another moving, pastoral visit to Israel. As important, the Administratioo supported without criticism or any nod to Arab sentiments the efforts of Mr. Peres to act tough.

No Prizes

In the end nothing was quite enough, and now for Mr. Clinton the election results only compound a season of worry about Bosnia, Russia and the newly enlivened Whitewater investigation. The prize with which both Mr. Peres, 72, and Mr. Christopher, 70, wanted to cap their careers seems to have escaped them. Perhaps they had oversold it to themselves.

Some suggest that Mr. Ross and Mr. Miller, too, might be getting stale, and a new style of diplomacy might work better. But that misses the point. They are all correct in believing that history is pressing hard for a

comprehensive regional peace. But the moment is obviously not yet. In both the Arab world and Israel, the fearful circle of skeptics is still too large for the circle of peace. Mr. Assad is not ready. Nor, it seems, is a sharply divided Israel.



A young Israeli girl pays her respects last Thursday at the grave of Yitzhak Rabin.

Yeltsin's American-Style Army

By MICHAEL R. GORDON

I was the political equivalent of a sneak attack. With virtually no warning, President Boris N. Yeltsin this month stunned his opponents in the presidential election campaign, and many in Russia's armed forces, by announcing that conscription would be abolished by the year 2000.

Though less dramatic than his signing of a cease-fire last week in the unpopular and grinding war in Chechnya, Mr. Yeltsin's promise potentially bas farreaching consequences: Russia's much-vaunted military tradition would be put aside, and its maligned, cash-strapped but still sizable armed forces would become an all-volunteer mili-

Coupled with his order that Russian soldiers no longer be sent to trouble spots without their permission, Mr. Yeltsin's move looked like a brazen ploy to exploit the war-weariness of Russians at the polis two weeks from today; the President himself, after all, contributed to the malaise by slarting the Chechen war in the first place. But he has put the complex question of the Russian national character on the table in a

politically shrewd way. Seeking to outflank his nationalist opponenis and hard-line generals, who extol the virtues of selfless service to the state and say Russia needs a large force of conscripts, Mr. Yeltsin is instead appealing to anxious, draft-age Russian youth and their parents, who care less about losing Russian glory than losing Russian lives in support of costly, embarrassing adventures in Chechnya,

Afghanistan and elsewhere. This move is not supported broadly by the generals," said Alexei Arbatov, a military expert with the liberal Yabloko party and member of Parliament. Rather, be said, "this move is directed at the youth."

The Communists, playing to Russia's military-industrial complex, have assailed Mr. Yeltsin's moves, though this appears to have done him little good with the voters. But many Western experts and Russian reformers believe a professional Russian

army is long overdue. The American military underwent a transition to professional armed forces after the Vietnam war. Senior American officers say a well-trained cohort of volunteers is best suited for the increasingly complex chal-

France, where obligatory military service dates to the days of the French Revolution, recently announced that it was ending conscription, saying it would reduce its 500,000-member military to an all-volunteer

lenges of high-tech warfare.



One Russian soldier was overcome after learning a friend was killed in fighting against Chechen rebels earlier this year.

force of 350,000 by 2002.

In the aftermath of the cold war, Russia's military, once more than five millino strong. has been reduced to 1.7 million, according to official Russian figures (some Western experts say the real number may be closer to 1.2 million).

The President appreciates his country's warweariness, especially as election day nears.

With most conscripts declining to re-enlist after their mandatory two-year tours are up, the Russian military has found it difficult to retain qualified and experienced soldiers - a serious liability contributing to its embarrassing setbacks in Chechnya, It has supplemented the use of conscripts by signing contracts with 270,000 volunteers, but they are often poorly paid, and many have been reluctant to make a career out of the

An adequately paid professional force

would presumably overcome both problems, but Russian reformers say Mr. Yeltsin needs to do much more than issue politically palatable decrees.

They say the establishment of a volunteer military should be part of a broader effort to restructure the armed forces, reducing them to fewer than one millioo while substantially increasing the military budget. The budget is oow \$16 billion, according to specialists oo Parllament's budget committee.

Money Woes

In fact, much of the military grumbling over Mr.-Yeltsin's initiative reflects not only unhappiness over the prospect of diminished status for the armed forces, but grave skepticism over whether the Russian Government. which already has trouble paying back wages to its workers, will come up with the necessary

"It is purely a populist decree and nothing will be achieved," Aleksandr l. Lebed, the retired general and presidential candidate, said, reflecting the view of many in the armed forces. "In order to have a professional army, one must have a powerful economy. Our economy is half alive, semi-collapsed and standing on its

Dmitri V. Trenin, a former Army officer and military expert at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, disagreed, He said that a volunteer force was a goal worth striving for, though he asserted that Mr. Yeltsin's plan to create a professional mili-

tary by the year 2000 was wildly unrealistic. Sure, building an all-volunteer force is a costly proposition," Mr. Trenin said, "But there is no sense in delay. The longer you delay the more difficult it will be at end of day, and the degradation of Soviet military establishment continues at a high rate."

Ultimately, however, the fate of Mr. Yeltsin's plan may turn less on professional disputes over the structure and purpose of the armed forces than on the military's self-

image.

Will the Russian military cling to its old traditions or seek a new relationship with the rest of Russian society?

Though many officers resist such a change, Boris Gromov, the general who led Russian forces out of Afghanistan and who has been prominently mentioned as a potential successor to Gen. Pavel Grachev, the unpopular Defense Minister, is four-square behind the move.

The Russian military needs "professionals rather than kids," he declared in a recent television interview.

With a professional military, he added, there would be "less mothers' tears."



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The Nation

Whitewater Enters Its Season of Danger

By STEPHEN LABATON

WASHINGTON
Weeks ago, Kenneth W. Starr, the independent
counsel investigating the Whitewater affair,
dismissed the White House's single most important political defense, and offered a tantalizing new
clue about the direction of his secretive inquiry.

In the letter, Mr. Starr made clear that his office disagreed with a Government report that the Clintons have said vindicates them of wrongdoing. That report found no evidence that President Clinton, Hillary Rodham Clinton or others had been involved in improperly diverting money from an ailing savings association into the Whitewater land venture.

"The people doing that report did some good work," the usually tacitum prosecutor quoted his deputy, the day-to-day supervisor of the investigation, as saying. "However, they were doing it from a different perspective than what we're doing. We would not agree with all their conclusions. We do have some facts that they apparently did not have."

There was no elaboration on the report, prepared by regulators and the law firm of Pillsbury, Madison & Sutro. But it's now clear that this will hardly be the final word on Whitewater.

After the fraud convictions last week of the Governor of Arkansas and the President and First Lady's former business partners—the first verdict in the 30-month Whitewater inquiry—the questions now are 1) what's next? and 2) how much new legal or political danger do the Clintons themselves face?

Judging by the Starr letter and other recent events, the answers are 1) a lot, and 2) same as answer 1. It may be months before Mr. Starr finishes his inquiry, and it still could end without new indictments. But consider what has happened in the last few weeks, and what is scheduled to occur over the next month.

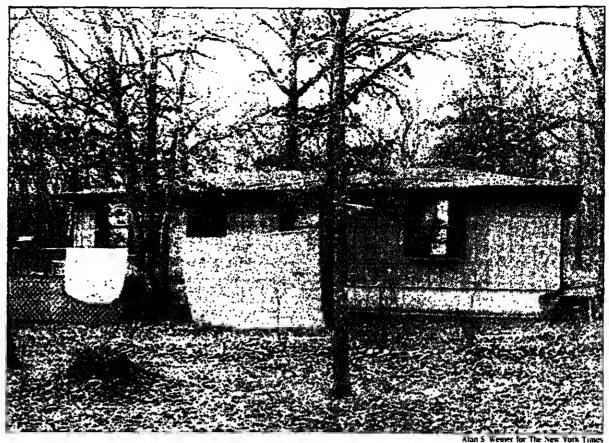
Mr. Clinton has provided sworn testimony that he played no role in what a jury of 12 Arkansans has coocluded was a fraudulent \$300,000 loan, almost \$50,000 of which was used for Whitewater expenses. The Clintons' ex-business partners, James McDougal and his former wife, Susan, now face significant prison time and enormous pressure to cut a deal for leniency.

Of course, even if they decide to reverse themselves and implicate others, the McDougals would face huge credibility problems now that they are convicted felons. Still, other witnesses in the investigation who have not been convicted, wary of Mr. Starr's newly emboldened staff, may be encouraged to offer more evidence than they have to date; they now know there is not necessarily a home-court advantage when the independent counsel decides to make a Federal case in Arkansas.

More Video Testimony

A new grand jury was convened in Little Rock last month — apparently a new phase in Mr. Starr's inquiry, since some prospective jurors were reported to have been asked by prosecutors what they knew of various Whitewater matters. And a separate grand jury in Washington continues to examine whether anyone at the White House obstructed justice by failing to turn over copies of billing records from Mrs. Clinton's law firm. The records describe Mrs. Clinton's legal work for the savings association operated by the McDougals.

On June 17, two Arkansas bankers appointed to patronage jobs by Gov. Bill Clinton will go on trial for laundering money in his 1990 gubernatorial campaign. The President has been subpoenaed to testify, and the White House says he intends to provide a videotaped



In 1994, owners of a model home on the Whitewater tract hung a sign urging reporters, "Go Home Idiots."

deposition, like he did in the trial just concluded.

White House aides have said the President had no knowledge of any improper conduct by the bankers. Still, Mr. Clinton's deposition will create yet another record of presidential testimony for aggressive prosecutors to scrutinize. (He is already opposing efforts by TV networks to obtain copies of the first deposition.)

Around the time the money-laundering trial begins, the Senate Whitewater Committee is expected to conclude its work and issue a report. The committee's chairman, Senator Alfonse M. D'Amato, said in an interview last week that he intends to seek a vote to grant immunity to David Hale, a self-confessed felon who was been sentenced to spend 28 months in prison, Mr. Hale has already testified in the McDougal case that he was asked by Mr. Clinton to make the \$300,000 Federally

backed loan to Mrs. McDougal, a loan that was supposed to be made only to the economically disadvantaged.

Senator D'Amato last week wrote Mr. Starr asking whether granling immunity to Mr. Hale and having him testify would impede the counsel's investigation. But even if Mr. Starr gives Mr. D'Amato the go-ahead, the Whitewater committee isn't likely 10 muster the three Democratic voies for the two-thirds majority it would need to grant immunity to Mr. Hale.

Beyond the fray in Congress, Mr. Starr's staff shows no signs of letting up. Four years ago, Mr. Clinton's presidential campaign concluded that it had put Whitewater behind it. Now, with Mr. Clinton again preparing to claim his party's nomination, Mr. Starr has just hired more prosecutors, hardly the kind of thing done by an independent counsel winding up his business.

A Stickler on Correctness

Ahem, About That Olympic Route

By KEVIN SACK

O: Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games. Re: Proposed route for the Olympic torch relay.

As we all know, the ideal of an apolitical Olympics has grown a bit antiquated over the decades, what with its history of Hitler tributes, black power salutes, Palestinian terrorist attacks and national boycotts. This year, although the Games do not start for another seven weeks, there have been few pretensions.

We speak, of course, of the 1996 Olympic torch relay, which began in Los Angeles on April 27. Already, a decision has been made to bypass Cobh County, Ga., the suburban Atlanta community that in 1993 defiantly approved a resolution condemning homosexuality as incompatible with community standards. Wayne County, Ga., and Spartanburg County and Greenville County the first two rescinded them after being threatened by the Olympic committee.

Consider this a call for consistency. Giv-

en its stand on anti-gay legislation, how can the committee let the torch travel through other communities that have supported such affronts to political correctness?

You have done well by keeping the torch far away from Montana. But other objectionable places have slipped past your Olympic committee researchers. The following is a partial list of spots on the official route that might also be avoided:

Boise, Idaho Home to Representative Helen Chenoweth, perhaps the most conservative member of the freshman Republican class. Has referred to white Anglo-Saxon males as an "endangered species." Supports the Confederacy's position in the Civil War on the grounds of states' rights. Hosted an "endangered salmon bake" during her 1994 campaign.

Salt Lake City Utah adopted legislation in March that would ban same-sex marriages, the first of many states to do so.

Colorado Springs This community gave birth to the Colorado ballot initiative that outlawed local ordinances prohibiting tiscrimination against homosexuals, a measure recently rejected by the Supreme Court. So what if this is the home town of the United States Olympic Committee?

Vidor, Tex. Ku Klux Klan hotbed where Federal marshals were called in to protect four black families that moved into a white housing project in 1994. No blacks had lived there in 60 years.

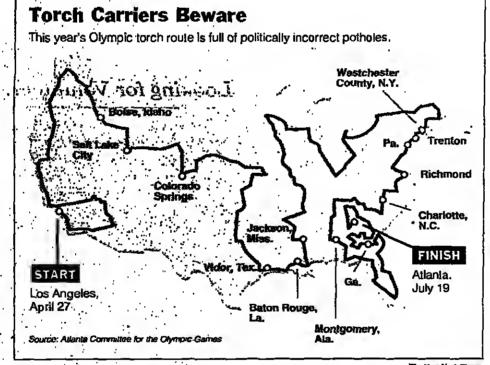
Baton Rouge, La. Capital where the new Republican Governor, Mike Foster, announced upon taking office that he would rid the state of affirmative action.

Jackson, Miss. Residence of Gov. Kirk Fordice, who once referred to the United States of America as "a Christian nation."

Westchester County, N.Y. What? Allow the torch relay — fully funded by Atlantabased Coca-Cola — to spend an afternoon in the corporate home of Pepsico?

Trenton Closest city to the Howard Stern Rest Stop on Interstate 295, dedicated in 1995 by Gov. Christine Todd Whitman to fulfill a campaign promise to the frequently offensive radio host.

Pennsylvania Considered by the National





Dan Halimark carries the Olympic torch in Beaumont, Texas.

Abortion Rights Action League to be ground zero in the war against abortion rights. Birthplace of Planned Parenthood v. Casey, the 1992 Supreme Court decision that upheld the state's right to restrict abortion by requiring parental consent for teen-agers and a 24-hour waiting period.

Richmond Legislature and Governor approved a bill this year that prohibits the state from suing tobacco companies to recoup the cost of treating Medicaid recipients with lung cancer, emphysema and other smoking-related illnesses.

Charlotte, N.C. Home of the Rev. Joseph Chambers, the fundamentalist preacher who tried this year to close a production of the play "Angels in America," because of its homosexual theme and obscenities. Mr. Chambers's previous targets have included "Barney and Friends," which he describes as "clearly occultic," and "The Lion King," which he assauls for "yoodoolsm."

Montgomery, Ala. Capital where Senator Charles Davidson, a Republican candidate for Congress, issued a statement last month asserting that slavery was justified by the Bible and that it had been good for black Americans. Mr. Davidson was drumming up support for his bill to fly the Confederate flag over the Capitol. Also, the state board of education, under pressure from Gov. Fob James, approved a policy this year requiring teachers to teach evolution as theory rather than as fact.

Georgia This one is a bit problematic, of course, since \$1.7 billion has been invested in staging the Games here. But bow can you overlook the state's vigorous defense of the anti-sodomy statute that eventually won the backing of the Supreme Court in 1986?

Clearly, plotting a politically correct route for the torch relay can be problematic. But if planes and helicopters were used to hopscotch over offending territory, a path could be traced from Honolulu to San Francisco to Berkeley to Seattle to Madison to Ann Arbor to Cambridge to New York City (avoid Staten Island please) and finally to Atlanta. Let the Games begin!

Candidates, Yes. But for Parenthood?

Continued From Page I

interviewed by an adoption social worker. They might want to consult a list distributed by Merle Bombardieri, an infertility counselor in Lexington, Mass., consisting of questions that prospective parents are likely to be asked in a home study.

The dwelling liself would be examined.

The dwelling Itself would be examined, noted Ms. Bombardieri (social workers have been known to whip out tape measures to measure rooms). If Mr. Clinton prevails in November, certainly the child would have bis or her own bedroom in a really, really big house for the next four years. But what if Mr. Clinton is suddenly unemployed? The Clintons do not have another home.

Social worker consults checklist, shakes head. Frowns.

In that event, the follow-up questions would undoubtedly be: What would be Mr.; Clinton's source of income? Would Mrs. Clinton resume her career as a lawyer? Couple nods eagerly.

Ominous silence. Then: Does that meon

Mrs. Clinton would not stay home with the child for ot least six months?

Are any legal actions pending against

either of them? A Ms. Jones?

A social worker would probably interview the Clintons several times, together and separately, about what they admire about each other and what they would change about each other they could, about their criticisms of how they were raised, their domestic habits (who does the dishes?), their use of contraceptives (why not? you're not secretly hoping to have a baby the other way, are you? do you consider adoption second-best?), work hours, religious com-

mitment, opinions on spanking.

And whose idea is it to adopt? Is this a mutual decision, or is one spouse just going along because the other is adamant?

Ms. Bombardieri said the Clintons would also be asked: why now? "What has changed about your life?" Ms. Bombardieri cootinued. hypothetically. "You have a 16-year-old daughter. Are you adopting as a way of running away from empty-nest syndrome? Are you denying your own agiog? Do you feel that by holding a 4-month-old on your shoulder, you'll look and feel younger and more vibrant?"

Chelsea Clinton would also be interviewed, said Kathie Stocker, an adoption social worker with Holt International Children's Services, based in Eugene, Ore.: "I would ask Chelsea what kind of rules there are in her family, what happens when she doesn't follow them, and what she likes and doesn't like about living under such a Iremendous amount of public scrutiny."

Be Flexible

The Clintons would be asked about backgrounds of children who might be placed with them. The likelihood is slim that an agency would place a healthy white infant with the Clintons: their ages (she is 48, he 49) are a barrier. There are so many thousands of couples who want to adopt from the scarce pool of white infants, said Ms. Harder, "that agencies use age as a subtle case-management technique." Most agencies require that adoptive parents be 40 or under.

Unless, of course, the Clintons would be willing, in the delicate euphemism used by social workers, to be "flexible." Translation: willing to take a mixed-race baby, an older child who has languished in foster care, or one with disabilities.

"The policy makes absolutely no sense," said Ms. Stocker. "That means that people who are older or who are single have to take kids that might be harder to care for."

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Their age also bars them from adopting a

child from many foreign countries. They meet the limit for a baby girl from China—their combined ages are less than 100—but because they already have a child, they might be offered a daughter with a medical problem like rickets or crossed eyes.

Thousands of Americans over 40 do adopt healthy white infants every year through private channels, said Ms. Stocker, by hirting a lawyer to do the search or placing their own classified ads in small-town newspapers. ("Loving Chrisdan couple wants to make a home for your special baby: large white house, cat, big sister. Call 1-800") Under such circumstances, the birth mother would decide whether to place her baby with the Clintons or another couple.

Jean Grumet, a New York-area lawyer who with her husband, after years of tribulations, adopted when she was in her 40's, is rooting for the Clintons. "I'd say follow your heart and go for it," she said. "It's worth all the aggravation. And there is aggravation."

Time Out

Although most of the questions that would face the Clintons as adoptive parents are of a profoundly private nature, one lingers that is in the national interest. Soon after taking office in 1993, Mr. Clinton signed the Family and Medical Leave Act, guaranteeing workers 12 weeks of unpaid leave for personal matters, including adoption.

Inquiring Americans want to know: how much time off would the First Father take?

What We're Really Looking for ...

Common mistakes made by prospective adoptive parents in homa interviews:

■ To admit that you are still trying for a pregnancy.

for a pregnancy.

■ To admit that one of you was dragged in by the other and has no

interest in adoption.

To use the home study as a forum for your doubts and faars about adoptive parenting.

■ For husband and wife to say conflicting things in their individual sessions or for your answers in your application not to match your face-to-tace answers.

■ To talk loo much, thereby revealing information you wish you hadn't.

■ To be angry rather than conlident, persuasive, assertive. Few people get through a home study without getting furious at somebody or something.

■ To be apologetic, defensive, rather than confident, persuasive.

To mention problems that your

worker never asked about.

To pretend that infertility didn't hurt. It was no big deal, there was

■ To assume that honesty is the best policy.

nothing to gneve over.

Source: Diane Clapp and Merie Bombardier

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Ideas & Trends

Prison: Where the Money Is

By FOX BUTTERFIELD

AN society afford to eliminate No. on Iwo counts, says Mark A. Cohen, an economics professor at Vanderbilt University's Owen Graduate School of Management. "Society cannot al-ford a zero crime rate," he said. "We would

bankrupt ourselves, and we'd also have a society we wouldn't like." The society created, he said, would resemble the old Soviet

Yet Mr. Cohen's own studies, which estimate that crime costs this country roughly \$500 billion a year, including costs to victims and the price of running prisons, leave a nagging question in a campaign year wheo the issue has already been injected into Presidential politics: Ideology aside, what is the most efficient way to reduce crime? Mr. Cohen's calculations bave ignited a debate among academic experts, law enforcement officials and politicians.

Whether his estimate is exactly right or is off by \$100 billion doesn't matter because we know the number is so big," said David Rasmussen, a professor of economics at Florida State University who has evaluated crime costs for the Florida Legislature. "The real question is not the exact dollar figure, but how we coulo use it to run our prison system more effectively or establish more crime prevention programs."

Important results might be gleaned from economic studies of the most effective way to reduce crime, said Jeffrey Roth, a principal research associate at the Urban Institute. "The real question is where will you produce the most crime reduction for a dollar spent," Mr. Roth said. "This is not a liberal versus conservative question. It's a bang for the buck question.

The stakes in this argument are high

because a number of states find themselves squeezed between an angry public's demand for getting tough on crime and the escalating costs of building more prisons. This year, for the first time, California is spending more for building and operating prisons than for its vaunted public colleges and universities. Prisons are the fastest growing item in almost all state budgets.

But is \$500 billion a realistic figure? Some criminologists not only criticize such estimates as excessive but say economists like Mr. Cohen use arbitrary and inconsistent calculations. Mr. Cohen's recent report, prepared for the Justice Department, included intangible factors like pain and suffering and reduced quality of life, which he based on jury awards; he calculated that the annu-

al total came to \$450 billioo. Another \$40 to \$50 billioo came from the costs of running state and Federal prisons and local jails, bringing the total close to \$500 billion. This figure excludes the losses in poor, high-crime neighborhoods from depressed property values, disinvestment and shuttered businesses.

Cost Analysis

Franklin Zimring, director of the Earl Warren Legal Institute at the University of California at Berkeley, who calls the \$500 billion estimate a "phony number" and "junk science," is worried that by fixing the cost of crime so high, the building of prisons look like a cheap and therefore more politically palatable answer to crime.

Most earlier studies of this issue have merely attempted to look at whether prisons pay for themselves. John J. Dilulio Jr., a professor of politics and public affairs at Princeton University, has concluded that prison does pay after surveys of inmates in New Jersey and Wisconsin state prisons. Mr. Dilulio found that inmates there had committed 12 or more crimes in the year before their incarceration, excluding drug offenses. Given the cost of \$25,000 to keep a prisoner behind bars for a year, he said that for every dollar spent to keep a prisoner locked up. "society saves at least \$2.80 in the social costs of crimes averted."

The conventional wisdom these days is to keep criminals in prison longer. Mr. Cohen, who has studied the cost benefits of prison terms, said that while a longer sentence would be economically efficient in reducing rape, assault and automobile theft, it would not be in diminishing burglary and larceny. The cost of added time for these two crimes, he said, would be greater to society than the price of the crimes committed.

A forthcoming study by Peter Greenwood of the Rand Corporation attempts to measure the relative cost efficiency of prevention versus prison. An examination of four prevention programs in different states, including Head Start, a parent training program, a program to keep high-risk juveniles in high school and an experimental program with 12- and 13-year-old delinquents, found that these programs "would be twice or three times as cost effective as just putting people in prison," he said.

In a study soon to be published, Mr. Cohen estimates that preventing a high-risk youth, so called because he comes from a troubled family and a bad neighborhood, from becoming a career criminal would save society \$1.5 million to \$2 million.

Mr. Greenwood and Mr. Cohen acknowledge that preventioo is a long-term policy, and that the public and politicians want immediate benefits. Another difficulty is that Americans appear to be willing to tolerate government if it means more prisons but not new social programs.

Mr. Greenwood, however, believes: "If we can afford to build prisons, we can afford prevention. It would save prison cells later.



Leg irons in a California jail. The state spends more on prisons than on its colleges.

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On Skinning Schrödinger's Cat

By GEORGE JOHNSON

HOSE who follow physics the way other people follow baseball quietly cheered at the news last week that scientists had finally skinned Schrödinger's cat.

In 1935, hoping to make some sense of one of the paradoxes of quantum theory - in which subatomic stuff can act like both waves and particles and be in more than one place at a time - the great Austrian physicist Erwin Schrödinger proposed a famous thought experiment. We are asked to imaginc a cat trapped in a box with a glass vial of poison. Nearby lies a chunk of radioactive material, like uranium. If an atom of the uranium decays, an electronic detector will trip a hammer that smashes the vial and

kills the cat. Now according to a cherished tenet of quantum mechanics, uranium atoms, unlike marbles or baseballs, cannot be said to be in a definite state - decayed or undecayed until they are observed. Before that, the atoms hover in a quantum limbo, stuck in

both possible states at the same time. Here's what Schrödinger playfully proposed: It is only when we open the box and make the observation that the uranium emerges from this netherworld and makes up its mind. So wby can't the same be said for the poor cat?

Until we lift the lid and peer inside, Schrödinger wrote, the hapless creature will be both dead and alive - "mixed or smeared out (pardoo the expression) in equal parts." A uranium atom may have indeed decayed, spilling the poison, but it will be our observation that kills the cat.

What's often lost in the retelling is that Schrödinger didn't believe the story for a minute. He was subtly ridiculing some of his mystical colleagues who liked to proclaim that conscious observers somehow conjure the real world into existence.

While some physicists still bold that selfcentered view, most have come to believe that an inanimate measuring device, like the electronic detector in the cat experimeot, can instantaneously make the "observation," removing the quantum uncertainty. There is oo need to open the box to kill the cat. But the thought experiment still creeps

Until an electron is measured, it spins in two directions at once.

up often enough among science-fictioo fans (quantum doppelgängers being a favorite Star Trek theme) to drive some physicists crazy. "When I hear about Schrödinger's cat," Stephen Hawking once said, "I reach for my gun.

Still, oot even the most cat-hating physicist disputes that the world down under is a funny place, as was confirmed once again by last week's announcement. The newly unveiled experiment hinges on the notion that an electron can "spin" (for lack of a better word) either clockwise or counterclockwise. And until it is measured, it will splo in both directions at once.

Scientists at the National Institute of Standards and Technology in Boulder, Colo., bombarded a charged atom, or ion, of a substance called beryllium so that the single

electron in its outer sbell rapidly alternated between a clockwise and counterclockwise spin. Then, the scientists tell us, they used their laser tweezers to pull apart the two states of the very same atom.

Ghostly Dervishes

The result was a pair of ghostly dervishes, whirling side by side in opposite directions. It was as though a light bulb suddenly turned into two bulbs, one on and one off - or a cat managed somehow to be both dead and alive.

The question is where in the progression from atoms to objects do the q fects leave off and where does hard-edged reality begin? How do the weird rules of the quantum realm give rise to the rock-solid, elther-or certainty in what we quaintly call the real world?

The uranium atom can be simultaneously decayed and undecayed and the beryllium atom can bave its electron spinning both

Where quantum effects leave off and hard reality begins.

clockwise and counterclockwise. But the cat has to be either dead or alive.

One currently popular answer is that things can remain in quantum limbo only so long as they are isolated from the rest of the universe. Ooce the electron brushes against something else, its two states, clockwise and counterclockwise, come unstuck and we're left with an electron that is spinning one way or the other. As for the cat, its atoms are constantly interacting with one another and with the surrounding atmosphere — all these tiny, inanimate "observations" anchoring it in the land of either-or.

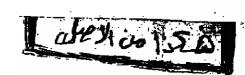
But there is still more mystery to come. Once the electron is observed, assuming one of the two possible states, where does the other one go? According to one interpretation of quantum theory, the universe splits into two universes - one in which the electron is turning clockwise, the other counterclockwise. In each is a physicist observing a different outcome.

Absurd as that sounds, it is what the equations imply. The difficulty comes in trying to translate them into our barn-listed language. Our brains didn't grow up down there so we can probably never really get it.

The electron, after all, isn't a particle or a wave but some barely fathomable amaigam. And it's not really clear what it means for one of these "wavicles" to spin. What then can we make of the notion that scientists pulled apart two states of a beryllium atom? Here's how they described it in the May 24 issue of Science: They "entangled" the "internal (electronic) and external (motional) states of the ion" and verified the result by detecting "the quantum mechanical interference between the localized wave packets." No doubt it's much clearer to those who

understand the table of equations published Trying to capture the physicists' precise

mathematical description of the quantum world with our crude words and mental images is like playing Chopin with a boxing glove on one hand and a catcher's mitt on the other. The scientists wince at the discordances, covering their ears as they silently sight-sing along with the written score.



ECONOMY

A Hollywood Star Moves Out; The Aura Lives On

By DAVID J. MORROW

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. ALK about frustration. You've been shopping for a home, and despite having serious money to spend, you have yet to see the house of your dreams. Is it too much to ask for something special? Something with bragging rights, something that would make friends ooh and aah?

Well, then, consider these gems now on the markel here:

• A 30-room pleasure palace built to please Cher herself and rivaling the pyramids, yours for \$9.9 million. Cleopatra may have lived in more understated digs. Among Cher's toys still in residence: a retractable living-room roof and a moat filled with footlong Japanese carp.

● Too costly? Eva Gabor's \$2.5 million estate may better fit your budget. The house has Hollywood necessities like a screening room and heated towel racks, but it may take some getting used to. The place has not been aired out in a while and has the musty smell of an attic. If friends ask about the odor, change the subject; tell them Frank Sinatra once lived there.

 Still out of your price range? For a mere \$569,000, about what you'd pay for a center-hall Colonial in Scarsdale, you could have Mike Farrell's cottage in the San Fernando Valley. Unfortunately, Mr. Farrell, the former "M*A*S*H" star, bought a house near two busy freeways, but the perks more than make up for the noise. Liberace's formar home complete with a piano-shaped pool out back - is right next door.

For people who have always wanted to own a celebrity home, now may be the time to snap one up. The selection of celebrity estates - luxury homes that entertainment or sports icons have either owned or lived in - bas rarely been broader. Sales of celebrity homes in Los Angeles County are increasing - up 4 percent through April, compared with the period a year earlier, ac-cording to TRW Redi Property Data - prompting more stars to put their homes on the market.

Best yet, many buyers are discovering that they can afford to buy a celebrity home. "It's a myth that all celebrities live on multimillion estates," said Sonny Fox, a real estate agent with Prudential/Jon Douglas in the Encino area of Los Angeles.
"Some celebrity homes are simple three-bedroom houses. And that's good for the buyer because celebrity homes really do come in all price

Sure enough, a sorvey of six top celebrity home brokers in Southern California found that each had at least three celebrity listings, including some that might be seen as bargains. To take one example, Kirk to list three must-haves: closets the Cameron, known in earlier years as size of gymnasiums, a rambling the Star of "Growing Pains," receot- master bedroom and adjoining his-

ly dropped the price on his threebedroom bungalow near Beverly Hills to about \$1 million, from \$1.5

Much of the momentum can be traced to the health of the Hollywood machine. There are more celebrities than ever before, thanks to the flowering of new media from cable television to the Internet. All that has created a large number of people who trade houses like stocks, moving into large estates when their careers rise and scaling back when their fortunes fall.

For many stars, only Beverly Hills or Bel Air will do once they become truly successful, said Fred Sands, president of Fred Sands Realty in the Brentwood district. "Most celebrities start out small and then work their way up," he said.

Fortunately for buyers, celebrities are not immune to life's upsets. Many stars, for instance, sell their homes after a divorce to raise money. Roseanne, who no longer uses the name Barr, recently sold one of her two Brentwood homes for around \$3:5 million after she and her current husband, Ben Thomas, decided they did not want to raise their 16-moothold son in a big city like Los Angeles. The other house is still on the market for \$2.8 million, down from \$3.2 million. The comedian declined to com-

For other stars, home swapping is a lucrative hobby. The grand champion is Cher, whose knack at parlaying mortar into money puts ber peers to shame. Over the last 20 years, she has built or renovated 16 homes had 6 of them featured in Architectural Digest and then parceled them off to the highest bidder. The deals turned more heads in Hollywood than any of her Bob Mackie

"Cher has a way of revamping a house, doing something creative that suits her." said Jeff Hyland, president of Hilton & Hyland, a real estate brokerage firm in Beverly Hills, who has the listing. "She'll sell that and move on to another house and another architectural style."

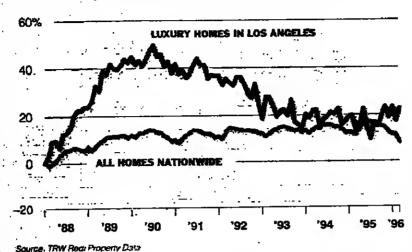
That said, fan beware. Buying a celebrity estate is no easy chore. First, it's best to forget everything you know about the local real estate scene. For example, celebrities are not usually interested in square footage, so don't expect a broker to know the numbers either. And be prepared for the broker to check your finances thoroughly before leading you on any backstage tours of Tinseltown's fin-

Unlike a regular house, a celebrity. estate must contain several posh acconterments to truly count. For example, it must sit on at least 1.5 tennis court, pool, gardens and guest house. Anything less is merely a large house.

And movie stars, by nature, tend

Luxury Houses Come Back to Earth

Percent change in the prices of luxury homes in Los Angeles County. including Bel Air and Beverly Hills, and the total housing market, since 1988. The luxury homes sold for more than \$400,000.



and-her bathrooms, with sinks and mirrors in separate rooms.

You generally assume that the house has a pool with it." Mr. Sands said. "But the true status symbol for anyone is the size of their closet. That's what celebrities show off."

Most prized are homes built by the stars themselves. That is because whoever might live there now, a part of the star will always remain with the palace. Only a wrecking ball could remove Cher from her Egyptian monolith. Her presence is so apparent in the flamboyant design from the stone palm trees that surround the trampoline-sized master bed to the black-bottom pool — it is easy to forget that Eddie Murphy once lived there, too.

The estate, on five acres on Benedict Canyon Drive just north of Beverly Hills, was built in 1977 for about \$3 million, with the land accounting for a scant \$290,000 of the tab. Eddie Murphy bought it in 1988 for \$5.9 million and sold it last year to Roberto Trouvet, a Mexican real estate developer, for \$4 million. After mafor interior and landscaping renovations, which included ripping up the less-than-lovely carpets Mr. Murphy bad installed, Mr. Trouyet has put the house back on the market for more than three times its original cost. Mr. Murphy's press agent said he would not comment on his real estate dealings.

Part of the property's enduring value can be traced to Cher's insistence on star treatment. Determined to make the house a showcase, she showed up at the construction site every day, according to Ron Wilson, acres, the minimum required for a her longtime interior designer, to make changes in the design and otherwise torment the architect.

So, after seeing the finished living room, Cher decided it was too small and demanded an extra 20 feet in length. Eventually, the architect, Ted Grensbach, quit, leaving his col- are included in the deal. An oil paint-

leagues to deal with Cher's tinkerings. Always one to enjoy the sun, Cher also insisted that the livingroom roof be made of glass and that it retract with the push of a button. That item was added, even though it took six months to make it operational. And then there was the small problem with the kitchen. For a woman who lets it all hang out at work, Cher did not want to see any exposed appliances at home - no

"I had no idea what to do about the kitchen, especially the stove," said Mr. Wilson, the designer. "What we wound up doing was putting a small sheet of granite over the borners so they'd heat up for cooking. But the granite kept cracking, and we'd have to come in and replace it. But that was fine with her. She knows what she likes."

refrigerator door, no burners on the

Cher could not be reached for

comment Unfortunately, few houses are built by celebrities. The next best are mansions that were owned by stars long enough to leave their imprint in the home's design. One such morsel is the roomy Bel Air manslon of Eva Gabor, just off Sunset Boulevard, across the street from Bloomingdale's and a short stroll from Barbra Streisand's. Not only is the mansion pristine -

polished wood floors and mirrored walls line the first-floor interior and pool and tennis courts grace the backyard - it comes with a rich provenance. David Niven, Frank St. natra, Mia Farrow and Audrey Hepburn all lived there before Ms. Gabor, making the mansion a five-star deal. That said, it is very much Ms. Gabor's nome. In her 21 years in the house, Ms. Gabor, who died last summer, gave it all the comforts she was accustomed to, from crystal chandeliers to a sprawling sunroom.

The mansion is also rich in Hollywood memories - not all of which

ing of Ms. Gabor in the sitting room, which the estate plans to keep, evokes her days as the bubble-headed Lisa on the 1960's television series "Green Acres." And in case buyers doubt Ms. Gabor's place in Hollywood history, an autographed picture from Lucille Ball, also excluded from the sale, sits on the bar with the

Some could say the same of the house. Nonetheless, a \$2.5 million offer was accepted by her estate last

inscription, "Eva, girl, you're too

Most celebrity homes, however, are merely houses where stars once lived, however temporarily. One such find is Clara Bow's hulking mansion in Bel Air, currently on the market for \$3.5 million. Built in the 1920's - for the King of Spain, according to local lore - it was later owned by the film producer Louis Lewyn and his wife, the actress Marion Mack. The couple lent the 13room abode, with its high doorways, Gothic arches and broad windows, to Ms. Bow in the early 30's. She is said to have lived there several years.

The estate looks to be a fitting home for Hollywood's "lt" girl. The mansion itself is nothing short of stunning. The front, which faces a side street off Sunset Boulevard, towers over the estate's narrow front lawn. The pool, off to the side, is slender but elegant and abuts a broad gallery with a working stone fountain.

Roaming the premises, it is easy to imagine Ms. Bow gliding about, entertaining Hollywood's early elite. Besides starring in several hit movies including "Wings," which won the first Oscar for Best Picture in 1927-28, she had several notorious affairs with leading men, notably Gary Cooper, providing enough titillation to keep guests at Hollywood parties preoccupied for years.

Shortly after Ms. Bow left the house, her life began to unravel. Born in Brooklyn, she carried an accent so thick that it stifled her stardom in the talkies. She suffered a series of mental collapses and eventually married Rex Bell, a Lowboy actor, who became the Lieutenant Governor of Nevada. The two separated but oever divorced and Ms. Bow, a recluse for much of her life, spent her last two decades under the nearly constant supervision of a

A dash of notoriety has not dampened the appeal of the house, which is listed with Fred Sands Estates of Beverly Hills. As it happens, the Clara Bow mansion is also an Infamous landmark with the Los Angeles Police Department. Thirteen years ago, the mansion belonged to a Texas multimillionaire, Henry Harrison Kyle, who was president of Four Star International Inc., a television and movie production firm. Mr. Kyle's 21-year-old son, Ricky, woke up his father on July 22, 1983, saying he had heard a prowler, according to the police. When the elder Mr. Kyle, 60, walked downstairs, the police said, his son shot and killed him. Ricky Kyle was convicted of involuntary manslaughter and served three years of a five-year sentence, his

lawyer, Steve Sumner, said. In 1991, the house was purchased by a Burbank eye surgeon and his wife for about \$2.5 million. The couple have it on the market again for \$3.5 million, a sum that they may oab, realtors say, if they are patient. In general, however, such homes sell better if a celebrity has recently been in residence.

How much more buyers should expect 10 pay for such trophies depends largely on the popularity of the star. "The buyer may deny it, but he wants to brag," Mr. Sands said.
"We'll run a listing and say it's a celebrity and get 10 times more calls

than regular properties." Mike Farrell's house in the San Fernando Valley, for example, was reappraised only six months ago at \$569,082 by the Los Angeles County tax assessor, a whisker more than its \$569,000 asking price. Compare that with Liberace's former home next door. Similar in size to Mr. Farrell's, it was assessed at the same time at \$555,066, but is priced at \$695,000, a 25 percent markup.

"Certainly a lot of the star value has a lot to do with popularity of the star and what is happening with his career," said Mr. Hyland, the Beverly Hills real estate broker. George Burns's house, he noted, sold for a

respectable \$1.9 million. "Part of that was because the estate sold it quickly after his death, and the other reason is that he was a popular performer," he added.

Not all celebrities, of course, have the kind of cachet that drives up the price. Visitors to one Bel Air mansion are quickly told that it was once the home of Marilyn Monroe and Candice Bergen. The mansion, on Summit Ridge Drive near Pickfair, the former estate of Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford, sits on the side of a hill and provides incredible views from its three levels.

The real estate agents tend not to volunteer that between the time Ms. Monroe and Ms. Bergen moved out and the current owner moved in, the house was occupied by Charlene Tilton, who played the lown tramp on the television series "Dallas."

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"We always tell potential buyers every star that we know of who lived in that house," said Elaine Young, the Coldwell Banker broker who represents the owners. "Certainly, we iell them about Candice Bergen and Marilyn because they're famous stars. A lot of people don't even know who Charlene Tilton is.

Despite all the glamour, celebrity homes can have their down sides. Some are not user-friendly, despite their million-dollar designs. One agent familiar with Cher's Egyptian retreat predicted that the next buyer would probably not want to spend more than two months a year under its roof because it feels more like a resort than a home.

Some of these estates also lack basic amenities. Kenny Loggins built a house in Monteclto, near Santa Barbara, that has no dining room. Jeff Bridges bought it anyway for about \$5 million. Ms. Bergen just shelled out \$3.2 million for a house in Beverly Hills with no air-conditioning. Ms. Bergen bought the estate from Roger Moore, who spent summers in the south of France.

And few of these homes are welcoming to children. Not only would parents of toddlers have to worry about Cher's pool, which has no fence or barrier, there are also the moat and the rattlesnakes that occastonally sitther onto the lawn from Benedict Canyon. Likewise, the eye surgeon who owns Clara Bow's house is moving partly because his children are afraid to stay there alone at night.

Gawkers are another problem, especially at the homes of the truly famous. When these stars - notably Lucille Ball, George Burns and Danny Kaye - built their houses some 40 years ago, they did not have to worry about trespassing fans, so they did not put up security gates.

celebrity estates, deals can be had. One sure way to a bargain is to watch for foreclosures. Celebrity fortunes are often fleeting.

Consider this tale of woe. Jon Mercedes 3d, the manager of several television stars, had been living with Ms. Tilton in Marilyn Monroe's former Bel Air home. When the two split up, Mr. Mercedes was unable to pay the mortgage and lost the estate in 1985 to Boston Safe Deposit and Trust. Two Texas businessmen -Rex Holt and Guy Richard - bought the 6,500-square-foot house for \$625,000. They have put the estate back on the market for \$2 million.

"We got a good deal then," Mr. Holt said. "But more than that we got a great house. It has a spectacular view down to the pool and plenty of history. We always heard that Lionel Barrymore used to practice his putting down on the lawn." If Beverly Hills Is too pricey, deals

may be had in several out-of-town playgrounds. Plenty of stars drive up the coast to Montecito, home to Jonathan Winters, Rob Lowe, Jeff Bridges and Jane Seymour. Other popular getaways are Jackson Hole, Wyo., and Aspen, Colo.

"They get more house here, and more times than not they get a good view," said Bill Gardner, a Montecito real estate broker. "The area is definitely worth looking into."

The best deals, by far, come from celebrity divorces. It is common for stars to put their homes on the block to raise quick cash in a divorce. The composer Burt Bacharach put his Malibu beach house on the market last year for \$3.5 million after he divorced the songwriter Carole Bayer Sager and then remarried. He finally sold it last month, taking a slight loss.

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Benjamin Netanyahu's Mandate

After one of the closest elections in its history. fsrael will have a new Prime Minister, a new governing coalition in Parliament and a new approach to peace. Benjamin Netanyahu's leadership will be judged by how well he balances the expectations of the Israelis who elected him with the hopes of those who voted for Shimon Peres. The early indications are encouraging. Mr. Netanyahu's first post-election statements have stressed national reconciliation and a cootinued quest for peace.

Mr. Peres and his martyred predecessor, Yitzhak Rabin, deserve lasting recognition as the men who launched difficult hut necessary peace negotiatioos with the Palestinians. The greatest tribute to their efforts is that all of Israel's main parties have declared their commitment to continued peace di-

Mr. Netanyahu's reassuring words will be measured against his deeds, as the new Prime Minister chooses a cabinet, inherits the responsibility of carrying out existing peace agreements and reveals his own approach to further talks with the Palestinians and, perhaps, Syria. By building a broad coalition embracing most of the center as well as rightist and religious parties, Mr. Netanyahu can minimize his dependence on extremists who would cancel binding peace agreements and

freeze further diplomacy. Once in office, he will immediately face two issues Mr. Peres had postponed. The tight restrictions imposed oo the movement of Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza after suicide bombings in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv earlier this year are strangling the Palestinian economy and undermining the commitment of many Palestinians to peace. Without compromising security, Mr. Netanyahu should set an early timetable for easing the restrictions.

Israeli military forces were originally scheduled to withdraw from Arab areas of Hebron in March, leaving only a reduced force to protect Jewish enclaves. Mr. Peres, with the consent of Yasir Arafat, delayed that partial withdrawal until after the Israeli elections. Mr. Netanyahu, a supporter of Jewish settlement in Hehron, suggested during the campaign that the withdrawal ought to be delayed for several more years. He should focus his efforts on assuring the security of Jewish areas and religious sites and withdraw Israeli troops from Palestinian areas of the city.

If Mr. Netanyahu is serious about wanting to pursue peace with the Palestinians, he will need a more constructive approach than he has outlined so far for the next phase of oegotiations. The talks are expected to deal with such crucial issues as the future of Jewish settlements, the Palestinian role in Jerusalem and the question of Palestinian statehood. Mr. Netanyahu says he will expand settlements, keep Jerusalem undivided and never recognize a Palestinian state. Serious negotiation will require some compromise in these areas.

Israel's most important foreign partner remains the United States. President Clinton all hut campaigned for Mr. Peres, but must respect the decision of Israeli voters. American support for Israell security does not depend on the political party in power in Washington or Jerusalem, but Mr. Clinton can and should oudge Mr. Netanyahu to keep the peace effort alive.

The Israeli campaign, while conducted with admirable dignity and seriousness, was fought over polarizing political issues. Mr. Netanyahu's most pressing responsibility is to reunify a nation that has always found its greatest strength in broadly shared ideals and amhitious but pragmatic national goals.

Think About the Port of Brooklyn

New York's harbor, favored by nature and nologation, bas long been a key to the prosperity of the city and region. Through economic ups and downs the Port of New York and New Jersey has managed to grow in trade and traffic but has been losing its once-predominant share of Eastern seaboard commerce, raising concerns, even alarm, over its ability to compete in new shipping environments.

Ever-larger container ships haunt the future. Already they challenge existing facilities oo the New Jersey side of the barbor, where the Port Authority invested heavily three decades ago. Unless the harbor digs deeper channels, the ships will choose Baltimore, Norfolk, Va., and Halifax, Nova Scotia. Losing out to those cities could threaten New York's status as a shipping power in the 21st

Representative Jerrold Nadler, whose district includes parts of Brooklyn and Manhattan, proposes a revitalized Port of Brooklyn. He calls for exploiting its deeper waters, huilding and improving rail links to the west and New England, and letting the Jersey piers continue to handle standard-size

The idea is attractive and merits the study the city's Economic Development Corporation has authorized. Indeed, it was alluring before worries about competitiveness and deep-draft requirements began to mount, hnt political leaders have failed to give the idea its deserved attention. Mr. Nadler's scheme would please his Brooklyn constituents, but

be started pushing it years ago when he was a West Side Assemblyman. To be sure, it has the potential for inciting local rivalries for Port Authority attention and resources, but the concept need not die from jealousy or stalemate. Depending on what the studies show, it could be part of a comprehensive plan to put the bustle back in a once-great port.

The Nadler plan is indeed grand. It entails extensive dredging, state-of-the-art storage for the mud and landfills at the Brooklyn shore, to say nothing of new warehouses and transportation connections. The most impressive and daunting of these would be a rail tunnel across the harbor to connect with New Jersey's gateways to the west

Moving mud and rock are the plan's big tasks. The Jersey waterways must be dredged for mud, and they must be drilled for rock at great expense, since the Newark Bay and the channels of Kill van Kull and Arthur Kill hit solid rock at 35 to 40 feet. Brooklyn's waterways, 60 to 65 feet deep before hitting rock, need only be dredged for mud to accommodate deep-draft ships.

The Port Authority leans against this plan, admitting that the Jersey rock-drilling is costly but warning that Brooklyn's development is replete with questions over public and private investment and the environment. All of these issues need expeditious study and the vision of industry and officials on both sides of the harbor. Meanwhile, credit Mr. Nadler for some intriguing ideas.

Editorial Notebook

A Matter of Character

Senator Bob Dole has discovered an artful way of raising the issue of President Clinton's character without seeming to do so. First,

while Republican surrogates flog the Whitewater story, Mr. Dole never mentions It. Thanks to a blunder by Mr. Clintoo's lawyer in citing the President's role as Commander in Chief as a defense against a sexual harassment lawsuit, Republicans bave also been able to remind people of both the draft-dodging

and womanizing problems in one television commercial. But the clever part of the Republican strategy is for Mr. Dole to raise doubts about Mr. Clinton's integrity by referring only to issues, and the Presideot's record of shifting course on everything from welfare reform to China. In this manner, the Dole campaign feels it can reinforce a view of the President as a slippery character that goes well beyond the issues themselves.

The strategy is risky for Mr. Dole. Both be and Mr. Clinton have risen to the top because they are consummate compromisers, with long lists of positions fudged and adjusted. lo this, they are no worse than some of our mosi successful Presideots. Franklin Roosevelt campaigned on a pledge to balance the budget, took secret steps to prepare for the war in Europe and enjoyed giving all the people he met the impression that be agreed with them. John Kennedy campaigned by deploring a missile gap with the Soviet Union that miraculously disappeared once he took office. Richard Nixon spoke of a secret plan to eod the Vietnam War and Ronald Reagan promised to cut taxes, build up defense and

balance the budget all at the same time. These historical parallels are in a new book, "Character Above All," in which several scholars and former Presidential aides reflect on the quirky way character traits bear oo recent Presidencies. In a television discussion last week, the authors agreed that personal honesty is essential to public leadership, though hardly a guarantee of success. (Among the most admirable persons to serve in the White House, for instance, were Presidents

Hoover, Ford and Carter.) Taking the Low Road As for sex scandals, it remains as difficult as ever To the White House to reconcile the wandering of Roosevelt, Kennedy and Eisen-

hower with their leadership abilities, though the historian Stepheo Ambrose insists that Eisenhower should get credit for faithfulness because be tried but failed to consummate his relationship with his wartime secre-

Assuming that Mr. Clinton did not personally gain from Whitewater, how harshly should Americans judge him for consorting with questionable characters early 00? Perhaps not much, unless you argue that Harry Truman and Lyndon Johnson were doomed by their unsavory beginnings.

Ethical commdrums count for little when pollsters tell their candidates that personal attacks can pay off. Five months before the election, Mr. Dole and Mr. Clinton are squaring off at a high pltch. The President, for instance, is running ads suggesting that Mr. Dole is a quitter because be resigned from the Senate.

The White House's mixed and even contradictory signals on balancing the budget are a legitimate issue of character for Mr. Clinton. But so are Mr. Dole's oewfound opposition to affirmative action, which he bad favored all his career, and his shifts in the last year on eovironmental issues and budget and tax cuts.

Abortion has prompted the most moral righteousness of the campaign so far, but it is obvious that neither Mr. Dole nor Mr. Clinton is comfortable waging a campaign of moral fervor against the other. Indeed, It would be nice if they could play to their strengths and defend their records as savvy and flexible politicians. Firing salvos of righteous indignation at each other makes them look a little ridiculous, like circus bears attempting a pas de deux. I would like to believe that if they do not address the issues more honestly, the voters may tune out. But history does not necessarily support STEVEN R. WEISMAN

Whitewater Verdict Didn't Taint the Clintons

To the Editor:

In his May 30 column "Partners in Crime?" William Safire falsely states that the jury in Little Rock 'ignored the President and believed the crook." All but one of the jurors who commented about President Clinton's testimony said they found it to be credible but bad not relied on it because it was irrelevant to the charges. They also said they disregarded or disbelieved the testimony of the convicted felon David Hale.

Lacking evidence of wrongdoing by Mr. and Mrs. Clinton, Mr. Safire relies on guilt by association, referring to various people under prosecution in Arkansas as "associates" of the Clintons. Typically, he fails to point out that the charges allege no

wrongdoing by the Clintons.

Then he lists Federal crimes like obstruction of justice and perjury that "may" be filed against the Clintons. Will Mr. Safire ever decide that, in fairness, he should refrain from accusations of criminality against President and Mrs. Clinton until he can cite credible evidence to support LANNY J. DAVIS

Washington, May 30, 1996 The writer, o lawyer, is an ex-Democratic Notional Committee member.

l am a New Yorker in exile, living

in northern New England for the past

eight years. Perhaps you have heard

the rumors, but the dearth of R's

here is much more serious than can

be appreciated by any outsiders.

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Alan Fisher (letter, May 28) tries

to defend Heath W. Lowry, the

Princeton University professor who

has a long record of denying the

Only someone working directly with the Turkish Government would,

as Mr. Lowry did, draft a letter for-

the Turkish Ambassador's signature

in order to intimidate Robert Jay

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Mr. Fisher refers to a 1985 petition.

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Charney, director of the Institute for

the Study of the Holocaust and

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Ambassador Henry Morgenthau's

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From New England, an SOS for R's

Armenian Genocide Cannot Be Denied

Don't Run Again To the Editor:

In light of what seems never-ending harassment by his enemies, President Clinton should do the right thing for himself and the Democratic Party

by not running for re-election. The Paula Jones lawsuit is finding its way to the front pages this election year; the Whitewater "scandal" persists, after almost three years, millions of dollars and not one example of illegal activity on the part of Mr. or Mrs. Clinton; and we have a Republican partisan special prosecutor, Kenneth Starr, in no hurry to

wrap up his investigation. Most of the anti-Clinton hysteria comes from people still sore over the 1992 election. Why not allow someone like Al Gore or Bill Bradley to take over, and let's see who wins in No-DANIEL TORLUEMKE Cedar Park, Tex., May 30, 1996

Hot Springs Reborn To the Editor:

Re Maureen Dowd's slicing comments about the Clintons in "Hot Springs Eternal" (column, May 30): In the 1930's and 40's, Hot Springs,

We are holding out, but can only last

1915, a 3,000-year-old civilization.

Princeton should acknowledge what

The writers are, respectively. Dorot

Holoculust Studies at Emory Univer-

sity, and Distinguished Professor of

Psychiatry and Psychology at the

A University's Integrity

As the only member of Congress of

Armenian descent, I was deeply dis-

appointed to read your May 22 news

article on Princeton's being accused

of fronting for the Turkish Govern-

ment to spread propaganda about

Turkey's role in the Armenian mas-

The Armenian genocide was just

as official, hrutal and reprehensible

as the Nazi Holocaust. Any academic

institution that helps question the

occurrence of either historic event in

exchange for endowment money es-

sentially allows its integrity to be

Assigning responsibility for what

happened to Turkish Armenians so

many years ago is much more than

an academic exercise. For those who

lost family members in the genocide.

It is a matter of bringing Turkey to

show respect toward the victims of

its actions. For the United States, it

is an important part of understand-

ing the oeed to break the Turkish

land blockade that is keeping Ameri-

can humanitarian aid from reaching

For the international community,

It is a function of bearing witness

to the Ottoman Empire's crimes

against humanity, crimes that no na-

tion tried to stop and must never be

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ANNA G. ESHOO

Washington, May 30, 1996

sacres during World War 1.

City University of New York.

To the Editor:

THOMAS E. LAWLESS

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ROBERT JAY LIFTON

Atlanta, May 30, 1996

Antrim, N.H., May 30, 1996

Ark, could possibly have been described as a "hangout of gamblers and roues." By 1952, when Bill Clin-

ton arrived there as a small boy. change was already under way, and by the late 1960's the town was shut tight and has been strictly on the up and up ever since. To any child there, Hot Springs

made a lovely little case study of how government can work: an economy can be overhauled, and the law enforced, when the people have a mind to do it. Too bad more of our politicians (and columnists) didn't grow SHIRLEY ABBOTT there. SHIRLEY ABBOTT Haydenville, Mass., May 30, 1996

No Time for Siblings

To the Editor: Frank Rich's skewering of the proclaimed family values of both the Doles and the Clintons was a delight (column; May 29). Missing only was the question I had when I read of Mrs. Clinton's avowed yearning to give Chelsea the experience of having a sibling: How much time would any 16-year-old going off to college in

two years have with any new family B. MEREDITH BURKE Palo Alto, Calif., May 30, 1996

Trust in Zyuganov Is Naïve and Ominous

To the Editor:

Respect for the Russian writer and Gulag veteran Andrei Sinyavsky borders on reverence. But his comments on the forthcoming election ("Worse Than Communists," Op-Ed, May 30) are politically naïve.

Mr. Sinyavsky and other former dissidents broke with the Government after the shelling of the Parliament in October 1993 and the attack on Chechnya the following year. While writers in the ultra-nationalist camp have had no scruples about throwing their weight behind Gennadi Zyuganov, Boris Yeltsin has received little support from the more progressive literary factions.

Mr. Sinyavsky may have taken the moral high ground on this question by choosing to back Mikhail Gorbachev. But while such righteous behavior has always been highly valued in Russia, it is not what the oation requires during this important election process.

Mr. Sinyavsky discounts fears that a Communist victory would bring back the "Iron Curtain, censorship, the Gulag [and] persecution of dissiit means to house deniers of genodents." Perhaps not. But Zavtra, the newspaper most responsible for Mr. .Zyuganov's platform, began its coverage of the Communist victory in the parliamentary elections last De-Professor of Modern Jewish and pember with the mocking phrase "Hannakah has been spoiled," and the paper's demonization of Jews and other "non-Russians" has been echoed in Mr. Zyuganov's writings and speeches.

If the Yeltsin camp is using scare tactics to warm about the possible consequences of a Communist victory, perhaps that is because there are aspects of Mr. Zyuganov's agenda that are truly frighten-KATHLEEN PARTHÉ

Princeton, N.J., May 30, 1996

Japan's Arms Fiction

To the Editor:

Your May 28 news article on a possible Japanese military role in Asia accurately summarized the formal position of the Japanese Government: that Japan's Constitution. written during the American occupation of the 1940's, allows Japan to use military force only if the country is directly attacked, not as part of collective action if an enemy attacks the forces of Japan's allies.

The article should have pointed out, however, that this position cannot be supported from the actual text of the Constitution, which does not differentiate between acceptable and unacceptable uses of force, but simply forbids Japan to have armed forces.

The notion that Japan's rather large forces will not be in violation of the Constitution until they venture away from Japan is a polite

fiction_. EDWIN E. MOISE Clemson, S.C., May 30, 1996

The writer is a professor of history at Clemson University.

Better Contraceptives for a Better World

repeated.

Re "Obstacles Are Said to Block New Kinds of Contraceptives," (news article, May 29):

The only real solution to the highly charged abortion issue is to offer people affordable, safe and efficient birth control. By continuing to block the research and prodoction of new methods, we perpetuate painful decisions for individuals and almost insurmountable problems for our world's shrinking resources.

Moreover, birth control methods for men are just as controversial as those for women. We need increased emphasis on methods for men. Be-

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.coming a parent is and should continue to be a decision for both partners to make. WILLIAM J. LAWRENCE New York, May 30, 1996 The writer is a professor of economics at Pace University.



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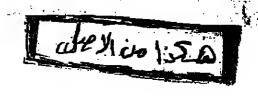
Insuring Mental Health Has Been Cost-Efficient To the Editor:

Your call for a commission to study insurance coverage for mental illness ("Mr. Dole's Health-Care Task," editorial, May 30) is oot a compromise, it's a cop-out

The Senate Committee on Appropriations commissioned one study during the first attempt at healthcare reform in 1993. By releasing this issue to a commission, Congress would continue to perpetuate discrimination against five million Americans whose illness affects the wrong part of the body - the brain.

Concern that providing this coverage would create "major economic problems" is not supported by data. In Rhode Island, Maine and New Hampshire, which have parity for severe mental illnesses, costs have risen only modestly. In states where parity laws existed, 66,000 new jobs were created

LAURIE M. FLYNN Executive Director, National Alliance for the Mentally Ill Arlington, Va., May 30, 1996



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Foreign Affairs THOMAS L. FRIEDMAN

... And One Man Voted Twice

WASHINGTON In the coming weeks you will read many analyses of the Israeli election, but for my money you can reduce the outcome to four words: The bad guys won. No, I'm not talking about those Israelis who voted for Bibl Netanyahu. They are entitled to their choice I'm talking about the Jewish and Muslim extremists, whose actions during the last nine months transformed Israeli politics and made Mr. Netanyahu's victory possible.

I'm talking first and foremost about the one Israeli who got to vote twice. His name is Yigal Amir and he is the religious extremist who assassinated Yitzhak Rabin. Under Israeli law, even an assassin gets to vote. So last Wednesday, at the Ohalei Kedar Prison, Mr. Amir trudged out of his cell in shackles and cast his vote - no doubt for Mr. Netanyahu. What poetic injustice. First Mr. Amir voted with a bullet and then be voted with a bailot. Having murdered the one Labor Party leader who would have certainly beaten Mr. Netanyahu, Mr. Amir finished his work with an absurd legal flourish, sealing his ballot under

the watchful eye of prison guards. In killing Mr. Rabin, Mr. Amir deprived the Labor Party of its only leader who embodied both a vision of reconciliation with the Palestinians and the hard-headed toughness to persuade a majority of Israelis to follow him. Try as he might, Shimon Peres

just couldn't bring together those two attributes. But Mr. Amir dld something else - something more subtle and paralyzing. By pumping two bullets into Mr. Rabin's back, be raised the terrifying specter of civil war in Israel, if the peace process went any further. In the wake of the assassination, many Israelis, subconsciously, wanted to remove the divisive peace process from the public agenda, and that too worked against Mr. Peres. Sald an Israeli political theorist. Yaron Ezrahi: "I was in a cab after the election and my driver was so happy that Likud won. I said, 'Why?' He said: Because peace divides us. I'm not afraid to quarrel with the Arabs. But I am afraid to quarrel with

What Yigal Amir began from the Jewish fringe, the Palestinian suicide

The legacy of the Israeli election.

bombers finished off from the Muslim fringe. The suicide bombers wiped out Mr. Peres's 16-point lead in the polls, by creating a sense among Israelis that the peace process equaled insecurity. Logically, many Israelis understood that the extremists were acting in order to stop the peace process - precisely because it was working and rendering their extremist visions obsolete. But fear always trumps logic.

I know. I was just in Israel. Instead of staying as usual at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem, I stayed at a more low-profile, out-of-the-way place, which I thought would never be a target. Instead of walking to my appointments, I avoided the center city, for fear of being on Jaffa Road when the next suicide bomb might go

off. Instead of waiting calmly at traffic lights, I got nervous until the light changed and my taxi moved away from any potential bus bombs. If I, as a visitor, felt that sort of anxiety, what about Israelis? Who can blame so many of them for reaching out to the tempting, but illusory, appeal of Mr. Netanyahu - that he will bring "peace with security," and without any further concessions to the Arabs.

But the forces that made Mr.

Netanyahn a winning candidate will make him a disastrous Prime Minister, unless he can break free of them. No Likud leader bas ever inherited what Mr. Netanyahu is inheriting: two implemented peace accords with the Palestinians and a pathway to a final settlement, a full peace with Jordan and Egypt, low-level negotiations with Syria, diplomatic relations with Morocco, Qatar, Oman and Tunisia, unprecedented support from the U.S., plus a booming Israeli economy, thanks partly to the benefits of peace. Mr. Netanyahu has promised that, in his own way, he will preserve and nurture this inheritance, while also bringing more security. That is what be will be judged on. Both Yitzhak Rabin and Shimon Peres are casualties of their historic decisions in 1993 that produced this inheritance. These two old war horses came together at the end of their long political careers to form one of the most unique and creative leadership teams in Jewish history. Their successes derived from their willingness to face the cruel truth that the longterm security of Israel lies in decisions that will cost some Jewish solidarity. They did not shrink from those decisions. Mr. Rabin paid with his life for his courage. Mr. Peres paid with

Now comes Mr. Netanyahu, riding in on the slogans that Israel can have peace without concessions, security without Palestinian partners and solidarity without costs. Of course, there is no such thing, and soon Mr. Netanyahu will confront that truth. Only then will we know what be is really made of. Only then will we know whether he is capable of making the wrenching decisions vital for Israel's long-term survival. Israel can't afford anything less in its leader.

Liberties

MAUREEN DOWD

Daddy Chief

WASHINGTON It took Bill Clinton a while to get tough. He had a hard time doing It with the Bosnians, the Haitians, the Somalis, the Rwandans, the Russians and the Democrats.

But now he has drawn a line in the sandbox. Mr. Clinton is cracking down on America's young people. The politician famous for his lack of discipline has turned disciplinarian. The man with a past preaches neo-Puritanism. The unruly President is bursting with rules.

Kids should not smoke. Kids should wear school uniforms. Kids should not have sex or babies. Kids should not stay out late and might be better off with curiews.

Once herded inside, kids should not watch racy TV shows, but should be controlled with the V-chip.

Given the relish with which the President dispenses discipline, Democrats may be headed toward a prospank plank in the platform.

Until he began running for re-election, the biggest discipline problem in the Pennsylvania Avenue schoolyard was Bill Clinton. He was President-as-teen-ager, an unfocused, self-

indulgent baby boomer.

But then Dick Morris swept into town and explained to Mr. Clinton that he had to be in opposition to himself on policies and personality if be was to capture the center.

Mr. Morris shaped more dignified roles, dubbed President-as-Pope and President-as-Good-Father, allowing Mr. Clinton to (try to) present him-self as moral guide and strong pro-

The Good Father image, promoted by the writer Naomi Wolf to help lure women voters, is a comforting au-

From governing to parenting.

thority figure who bullds and defends

the family home."
When he signed V-chip legislation, the President said that "television can become an unwelcome intrudconveying "images of violence and bias that can enter our homes and disturb our children."

Mr. Clinton is playing to babyboomer parents who enjoyed an era of permissiveness but who have turned more culturally conservative as their children grow older. He soothingly promises to give control back to parents.

On Thursday in New Orleans, Mr. Clinton endorsed the Big Easy's dusk-to-dawn youth curfew. 'These are just like the old-fashioned rules most of us bad when we were kids. When the lights come on, be home, Bill.' ... I'm sure that a lot of the teen-agers think this curfew is too strict. It was a long time ago, but I can still dimly remember what it was like to be that age. But they must also know that it's a dangerous world out there, and these rules are being set by people who love them."

The Clintons' bid to be seen as First Parents (Hillary's baby talk) is their not-so-subtle reminder that they are running against somebody who's old enough to be First Grandpa.

In New Orleans, the President cited "children" 46 times. "We simply cannot go into the 21st century with children having children, children killing children, children being raised by other children. . . . That is not the America . . . we can pass on to our children and their children."

Mr. Clinton came of age in a time when society blamed the young for its ills. In the 50's, kids were seen as licentious for liking rock-and-roll and Elvis, and in the 60's for having long hair and protesting Vietnam.

Certainly it's nice that the President is using the bully pulpit to discourage teen-age smoking, pregnancy and booliganism. But it's more campaign rhetoric than a strategy

for governing. Mr. Clinton bas fallen back on this values theme in part because he has failed to do much of substance in Congress on children and social policy. His first two years in office were wasted on the wildly ambitious health-care plan, giving short shrift to welfare. He and his legislative team have no real idea how to cut a deal with Congress to get something constructive accomplished. In the midst of this impasse, it appears he will veto Republican welfare legisla-

tion for a third time. Disillusioned Marian Wright Edelman organized a march on Washington this weekend to show that, even though her old friends are in charge, children and children's issues are still doing poorly. There are still 10 million children without any health insurance. More than 20 percent of

Having struggled at governing, Mr. Clinton has turned to parenting. Poor man. He thinks that will be

Smoking for the Thrill of It

By Jane Pratt

he number of high school students who smoke is on the rise, according to a recent report by the Federal Centers for Disease Control. Anti-smoking groups used this news to call for regulation of cigarettes by the Food and Drug Administration and to renew their attacks on a counterplan by Philip Morris to curb teen-age smoking.

It's a given that any restriction suggested by the tobacco industry is not intended to inhibit its sales. But what concerns me is the F.D.A.'s proposals to discourage teen-agers from smoking. The agency doesn't seem to understand the psychology of adolescents - something that Philip Morris and other tobacco manufacturers seem to understand all too well.

Many of the F.D.A.'s .proposals would limit the ads that teen agers. see on a regular basis sin an antire har. "Bathoards in plain view while hids of are piling onto the afternoon school. bus, no ads in magazines that lots of

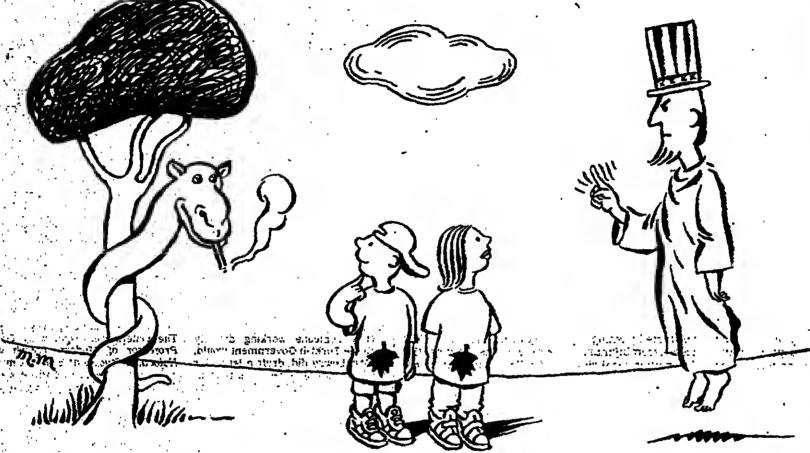
These limitations may be a fine place to start, but adolescents today don't live in an insular world, arriving home from school to delve into the latest issue of Teen. As a matter of fact, high school students probably sample a broader range of music, fashion, sports and media than any

other age group. That's one reason Philip Morris may have offered to support a ban on ads to publications in which teenagers make up at least 15 percent of the subscribers. The company knows. that many, many kids regularly buy. magazines off the newsstands or read the ones their parents receive in the mail.

· The F.D.A. has also suggested re-.. stricting ads to a black-and-white. text-only format. You have to wonder if this proposal makes sense when Philip Morris volunteers to take the F.D.A. regulations a step further, suggesting that all billboard ads adhere to this same format. Any teenager - or Calvin Klein - could tell .

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shirts and posters attest to the fact that text alone can be cool.

. Making a product slightly less accessible and more illicit makes it more enticing to teen-agers. For example, requiring proof of age is evidence that cigarettes are really truly for adults, a concept that almost always appeals to anyone who isn't quite one yet. (And the need for fake identification always adds a special

Teen-agers will more likely see warnings signs and demands for identification as a challenge to be overcome. That doesn't mean we should give up on asking for LD.'s but for the regulation to work; it will have to be strictly enforced.

Tobacco companies have for years managed to twist proposed regula-1960's, they avoided regulation by

you that black and white is fashion- the Federal Trade Commission by able, and millions of stickers, T- agreeing to put warning labels on cigarette packs, and then used those labels in liability lawsuits to prove that the dangers of smoking bad been well-publicized.

The warning labels may have helped some adults, but for teenagers the term "hazardous to your health" has bad little effect. (What's a potential lung ailment 50 years down the line to a 15-year-old wbo figures she's going to gain 10 pounds now if she quits?)

At worst, the warning makes the product more alluring, provoking the same urge to tempt fate that leads teen-agers to drive fast. Part of smoking's intense youth appeal is that it's a bonding ritual rooted in self-destruction, a slightly more. grown-up version of pricking your fingers and pressing them together to become "blood sisters."

The main reason tobacco compa-

What the F.D.A. doesn't understand about teen-agers.

nies can afford to adopt any of the F.D.A.'s proposals is that none of them addresses the larger reasons teen-agers smoke. Most girls I know say they smoke, at least in part, to keep their weight down. It's been theorized that one reason fewer African-American girls smoke is that they haven't been as indoctrinated into the ideal that thin is beautiful.

Most teen-age smokers, both male and female, admit they started smoking mainly out of insecurity. They wanted something to do with

their hands; they wanted to look less awkward than they feel. In combating that self-consciousness, they were more influenced by friends and celebrities than by any ads.

We should look at what we can do to eliminate some of the Images that encourage teen-agers to smoke. And Philip Morris, which recently proclaimed in newspaper ads its commitment to ending teen-age smoking, doth protest ton much.

If Philip Morris really cared about teen-age smoking, it would put its money into public-service ads on, say, MTV, and make smokers look nerdy, insecure, gross and unattrac-

Teen-age smokers should get the message that far from being rebellious, they are actually being manipulated to burt themselves for the profit of the tobacco industry. That's something to rebel against.

Punishing the Little Guy and Calling It Reform

By Francis Wilkinson

HILLSDALE, N.Y. ob Dole's departure from the Senate should ease the way for campaign finance reform, something that never made it onto his agenda when he was majority leader. That would be too bad. For despite the evident failings of the status quo, the leading plan now before Congress would do

Francis Wilkinson, a writer, was communications director in Geraldine Ferraro's 1992 campaign for the

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far more harm than good.

The measure — endorsed by groups like Common Cause and sponsored in the Senate by Mr. Dole's friend John McCain of Arizona - bas a worthy goal: to curtail the influence of moneyed fixers. But it is fraught with provisions that would cede more ground to the system's most entrenched and powerful players, trample the First Amendment rights of ordinary citizens and undermine efforts to encourage the broad-based participation that serves as a counterweight to the influence of political insiders.

Consider the legislation's ban on political action committees. A patently unconstitutional infringement of free speech and assembly (as even some of its supporters acknowledge), the ban is included solely to capitalize on the low regard in which PAC's are held by the press and the public. But all who wish to deprive Exxon of its PAC should consider the impact on the 28,000 nurses who contribute an average of \$46 a year to the American Nurses Association PAC to bave a voice on issues like health care

With or without PAC's, petrochemical executives will be major players . in the system. Motivated by a keen interest in legislation affecting their bottom lines, they will sign \$1,000 checks (the maximum allowable

contribution from an individual to a politician) and bold fund-raisers in corporate suites. Nurses can do neither. For them, a PAC affords a convenient avenue of participation and a chance to exercise power they could not wield as individuals. Another provision would restrict

out-of-state contributions to 40 percent of total funds; the idea is to make candidates less beholden to

Common Cause's misguided war on PAC's.

Washington power brokers and more responsive to local interests. This provision raises grave constitutional concerns: how, for example, would the Government justify restricting New Yorkers' contributions to a Senate candidate in North Carolina? And it would have disastrous consequences in states where powerful business networks dominate-local political fund-raising.

Candidates who failed to genuflect before the local establishment would be unable to rely on outsiders for tors would lose an effective avenue

most of their funds. A tight-knit chamber of commerce could control the money spigot, leaving outsider candidates (blacks in the South would be particularly vulnerable) , with nowhere to turn for contribu-

Then there is the proposed ban on bundling, in which one person serves as a conduit for campaign contributions from others. There are various reasons to bundle, not least that it's easier to attract a politician's atteotion if you're carrying a wad of \$1,000 checks. With a ban in place, we are supposed to believe, bundlers would lose an inside track to the politicians and their staffs.

But bundling is not solely the province of powerful insiders. Groups like my former employer, Emily's List (a political network for Democratic women who support abortion rights), use it to snowball small checks from like-minded individuals into the kind of sums that can have a powerful Impact on a political race.

If bundling became illegal, the most dim-witted political insider armed with a telephone could still circumvent the prohibition in seconds - by directing friends and clients to deliver their checks straight to a favored politician, and making sure the politician knew about it. But tens of thousands of small contribu-

It's easy to see why some politicians -attach themselves to these faulty proposals. In particular, the chief House sponsor, Representative Linda Smith of Washington, has ridden the reform train to stardom. But why do groups like Common Cause and Public Citizen join the ruse?

Because they consider even these slipshod efforts to be a step in the direction of their ultimate goal: full public financing of campaigns. Unable to convince voters of the need for public financing, they serve up convoluted proposals that are premised on the belief that private money is evil. What results is chaos.

If reformers can persuade Americans to support tax-financed campaigns, that's fine. That's a workable system. The alternative is to abandon a quarter-century of failure and accept the validity of private financing.

Reformers could join the efforts of principled conservatives like Trevor Potter, the former chairman of the Federal Election Commission, to rationalize the system by easing restrictions on contributions while increasing requirements for disclosure. That, too, would work. What won't work is loading up the current system with still more half-baked, intellectually dishonest restrictions on Americans' political activity —

children are still living in poverty.

FILM

'Kaspar Hauser' Is Worthy of the Brothers Grimm



André Eisermann (foreground) in the title role of "Kaspar Hauser," Peter Sehr's film about the mystery that fascinated Europe in 1828.

By JUSTINE ELIAS

HE stranger who appeared in Nuremberg's village square one day in 1829 was weak, harely able to walk, nearly mute, infantile in his behavior and unable to understand what was said to him.

Soldiers who first encountered the mysterious young man presumed he was an idiot or a fraud. Others came to believe that he was a kidnapped prince who had been imprisoned since childhood, a pawn in some royal intrigue. A cryptic letter found in his pocket gave few clues to his origins other than that he had been kept in confinement since infancy. But the boy was able to scrawl his name: Kaspar Hauser.

The ordeal of Kaspar Hauser, who was renowned during his brief life as a human oddity, a holy innocent and an example of Rousseau's ''natural man," has inspired some 2,000 books and an acclaimed film directed by Werner Herzog.

Now a new version of the story, an award-winning, controversial histurical drama written and directed

turned film maker, has caused a sensation in Europe and made a star of its young leading man.

This spring, more than 150 years after Hauser's death at the hands of an unknown assassin, genetic researchers are comparing DNA from Hauser's preserved blood with that of a descendant of the House of Baden, the royal family that many scholars, including Mr. Sehr, think planned and covered up the abduction and murder of one of its own crown princes.

"Very often people think the Kaspar Hauser story is taken from the fairy tales of the Brothers Grimm," said Mr. Sehr, whose "Kaspar-

Hauser" opens Friday at Cinema Village, "All the elements - the lost prince, a baby switched at birth, a wicked uncle, the intrigues in the palace - they're all there. But Kaspar Hauser was a real person."

Mr. Sehr, who is 45, was a doctoral candidate in biophysics at Oxford University when he first saw Mr. Herzog's 1975 film "Every Man for Himself and God Against All" (also known as "The Mystery of Kaspar Hauser"). Focusing on the last five rears of Hauser's life, the Herzog film featured an eerie performance by a first-time actor, identified only as Bruno S., who had spent much of his-life in-mental institutions. ----

To Mr. Sehr, who as a teen-ager abandoned his homeland in disgust over its Nazi past, the film was a challenge to confront his own German ancestry and German history.

This film marked the first time 1. living abroad, had been touched by something that was German," said the director. "I thought making filma must be beautiful, and it triggered the idea that I could make films myself."

Mr. Sehr set aside his work as a researcher, returned to Germany and found employment in the Munich film industry, which was the center of the German New Wave films of the 1970's. After completing his second feature film, "The Serbian Girl," the young film maker rekindled his interest in the Kaspar Hauser story by reading everything he could find on the subject, including new information that surfaced in the early 1980's.

"Herzog's story was that of a wild child, someone who came out of the dark and disappeared into the dark," said Mr. Sehr. "But I was so fascinated by the political background, thought we absolutely had to tell the Story again."

Mr. Sehr's film supports the theory that a servaot's child had been substituted for the real crown prince, who was spirited away and held hostage in secret by those who wanted the Baden line to die out. The servant's child was supposed to have died in infancy under suspicious circumstances. (Kaspar Hauser himself never claimed to be a royal prince and was murdered by a man who had promised to tell him who his parents were.)

In Mr. Sehr's film, the most shocking scene shows the substitute prince being struck on the head by one of the plotters. It's no accident, Mr. Sehr said, that the assassin has a little black mustache. "This is my Auschwitz," said the director. "For me, it is the same cynical attitude, the same efficient, mechanical drive toward death.'

The scene helped make the movie a cause célèbre in Germany on its release. "The reaction to that scene was sometimes viölent," Mr. Sehr said. I wanted to demonstrate to the German people something in themselves that they know is there, and they don't want to see it." Still, the film won the German equivalent of the Oscar for best film, best actor, best director for 1994.

. The role of Kaspar Hauser, who appeared to be in his late teens when .



Mr. Sehr- He found inspiration but not motivation in Werner Herzog's film on the subject.

he was found, is played by André Eisermann, a drama student who answered the casting call and announced, "I am Kaspar Hauser." Mr. Eisermann, the son of traveling circus performers, had little formal education but a most unusual up-

"My school was the circus," said Mr. Eisermann, whose signature stage role is Shakespeare's Puck. "My grandmother was the snake woman, a contortionist, and my best friend's father was the man who bit the heads off mice."

But Mr. Eisermann, who is now 28, had to wait two years while Mr. Sehr revised his script and got financing for his film. In the meantime he made three other movies, including "Brother of Sleep," about a gifted 19th-century composer and mystic who contemplates suicide, which will be released here in August. The film is based on a novel of the same name by Robert Schneider and directed by Joseph Vilsmaier ("Stalingrad").

Mr. Sehr, who noted that he managed to make peace with his German heritage in the course of making "Kaspar Hauser," said a psychoanalyst once explained the story as a search for identity. "Because Kaspar didn't find his true self, he had to die," said the film maker. "But I like to turn it around and say that in searching for your true self, you will

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Documentaries are Thriving

By PETER M. NICHOLS

HE film shows a noirish Los Angeles, bosting in sleaze. A young madam smirks at the television comeras as she is arrested for procuring for the rich and famous in Hollywood. "She didn't look like much, but she had a way with men," a "enomous competitor says. "Always on the phone, from the age of 23.

Shades of Mike Figgis and Richard Gere in "Internal Affairs," perhaps, or some other director and star adept at conjuring up a seamy Los Angeles netherworld. Actually, "Heidi Fleiss: Hollywood Madam" is not a feature film. It's a documen-

Only don't call it one. "I'm not saving 'documentary' all over the place; kind of keeping that low-key, said Mindy Pickard, vice president of marketing for BMG Independents, which is releasing the highly praised-Fleiss film on videocassette on July 2. " 'Documentary' can be a mark of death for a film."

Tell that to Jacques Cousteau, the people at National Geographic or any other self-respecting maker of a nonfiction film, from fireside lecture to historical epic. Distributors may trurapet "Forrest Gump," but don't cry for documentaries like "Hoop Dreams," the acclaimed 1994 basketball film; "Crumb," Terry Zwigoff's study of the artist Robert Crumb; "Truth or Dare," the Madonna movie: "Unzipped," about the fashion designer Isaac Mizrahi: "Hearts of Darkness." on Francis Ford Coppola's struggle to make "Apocalypse Now" in the Philippine jungle, or "A Brief History of Time." Errol Morris's documentary about the physicist Stephen Hawking.

All of them were best renters, Occasionally the documentary genre even produces superstars: for example, "The Civil War" and "Basehall," the two spectacularly successful series by Ken Burns.

"In the last five years, public perception of documentaries has changed," says Milos Stehlik, a managing director of Facets International, a Chicago mail-order distributor with hundreds of documentaries in its catalogue. "We're over the stigma that came out of the 60's and 70's, when as children we were forced to watch those horrible educational things that had nothing to do with documentaries whatever.

Dealers estimate that about 3,000 video stores and other outlets carry a reasonably good supply of documentaries. "In an age of sound bites. we're looking for more solid pieces of information," says Susan Margolin, a senior vice president of New

Strong nonfiction films find success in

movie theaters and on video.

Video, a New York distributor of all kinds of documentaries and independent films.

But to many people, documentaries are like kissing one's sister. "In this society they mean stuff on the Discovery Channel or on PBS," Ms. Pickard says. "They have their audiences, but we like to talk in terms of acclaimed feature films based on truth." A flat-out thriller may be a little too much to hope for, but oroducers and marketers wouldn't mind something of a chase movie.

"With 'Roger and Me' they didn't use the 'D' word," Ms. Pickard says, invoking Michael Moore's scathing portrait of General Motors in which he pursued Roger Smith, former chairman of General Motors, with the intention of showing him the ravages brought about by the company's plant closings in Flint, Mich. Mr. Moore never caught Mr. Smith in private, but his film, released in 1989, became a paragon of the documentary niche by earning \$8 million in theaters.

'Heidi Fleiss: Hollywood Madam" was made very much in the spirit of the chase by Nick Broomfield, whose earlier documentaries include the critically praised "Aileen Wuornos: The Selling of a Serial Killer," about a prostitute who murdered seven men in Florida. In 1994 he shouldered his camera and raced around Los Angeles after the elusive Ms. Fleiss, who was later convicted of pandering and sentenced to three vears in prison but remains free

while her case is being appealed. The goal was to find out what drove the young woman who at 19 became the mistress of the financier Bernard Cornfeld and at the time of Mr. Broomfield's film was about to go on trial in a courtroom next to O. J. Simpson's. The hunt is often breathless, leading from call girl to call girl who worked for the Hollywood Madam and to two of her mentors in procurement, Madam Alex and Ivan Nagy, who take turns bashing each other and explaining their

relationships with Ms. Fleiss. Throughout, Mr. Broomfield, a vouthful-looking 48, exudes urgent interest and disarmingly boyish charm in the face of frustration. In 1990 he ran into reluctant subjects while filming "Driving Me Crazy," a

documentary about the making of a musical, and in 1994 he charged around Britain in a futile attempt to interview Margaret Thatcher, "She was totally maccessible, but I probably should have gone on longer, tried harder," he says. His documentary on the Thatcher regime was compleicd but without the Prime Minis-

"Documentaries are like going into the ring." he explains. "You're on your toes. You're riding the equipment. It's so spontaneous and elec-

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was so vulnerable. He was so perhe was nice. I liked his Inspector Clouseau attitude."

he says.

Before it is released on video, the |101 Early Eastwood film the box office.

Mr. Broomfield acknowledges the influence of "Roger and Me" as well as earlier documentaries that used the same tactics, notably "Waiting for Fidel," Michael Rubbo's 1975 documentary in which he pursues Fidel Castro, never gaining an audience but creating a vibrant portrait

in "Heidi Fleiss: Hollywood Madam," persistence pays and finally the documentary, willing to talk is that she took a liking to Mr.

He found her at Heidi Wear, a clothing store she owns. "I knew he was working on something," she said in a recent telephone interview, "but I never had any intention of taking part. When he caught me, I sistem. He drove me up the wall. But

Their meeting in the film is a gentle, probing interrogation that stars Mr. Broomfield as much as his subject. He says his style comes from the new journalism in which the reporter becomes a participant. "You learn as much from the interviewer, what it feels like to be there, as you do from specific questions,"

Mr. Broomfield, who is working on a feature film with the screenwriter Joe Eszterhas, admires directors like Louis Malle, Barbet Schroeder, Peter Greenaway and Jonathan Demme, all of them accomplished documentary makers. Fleiss: Hollywood Madam" is set up a bit like a feature film. "You want a narrative through-line," he says. The audience needs to understand what you're after and the difficulties of chasing your goal. Then you come to a resolution."

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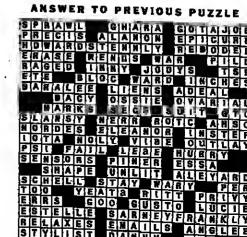
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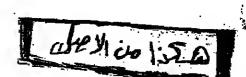
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IKHAIL Gorbachev, presidential candidate, lands at Samara along the Volga River and immediately the vibes are bad.

He giances out the airplane window at the runway and notices there is no traditional Russian welcome awaiting him - no bread and saft, no pretty girls in local costume, not even a regional official to shake his hand. He sighs and shrugs on his double-breasted, gray-flannel suit jacket Time to go to work," he tells his wife, Raisa.

From the plane, he is whisked to a cramped little news conference in the airport terminal. The reception there isn't much better.

"Mikhail Sergeyevich!" says a man who turns out to be the deputy regional governor. "I want to suggest to you and Raisa Maximovna that you withdraw your candidacy for president... You've done everything you could do already." So begins another disheartening

day oo the eampaign trail for Gorbachev. Once among the world's more powerful men, Gorbachev, 65, is running for public office for the first time in his life. His campaign

has not been promising.

Gorbaehev has been hailed around the world for introducing glasnost, his policy of openness which would eventually led to growing democratization in Russia and throughout Eastern Europe.

But he is despised by many Russians who blame him for everything from the collapse of the Soviet empire to Russia's econom-

The former Soviet leader has been spat on, screamed at and hit on the head with a karate chop. Placards impugn his patriotism. In the street, a few people will smile and wave or call out their good wishes, and occasionally he will fill an auditorium. More often Gorbachev is ignored.

With poll ratings bovering around I percent, Gorbachev has no real chance of winning the June 16 presidential election. He says he doesn't believe the polling, but it is elear he doesn't really expect to he is determined to repair his tantered



In 1987, he was 'Time' magazine's Man of the Year. Now Gorbachev is simply fighting to repair his tattered name.

win: He has no apparent program. No prominent figures have joined his campaign, and several other candidates rejected his suggestions of an alliance led by Gorbachev himself, Politically, he is an untouchable.

"WHO AM I going to vote for?" said an auto worker in nearby Togliatti, the Detroit of Russia. "Anyone but Gorbachev!" Yet it becomes elear as Gorbachev stumps from one appearance to the next that winning is not really the point of his journey. The campaign, he says, is "a breakthrough from oblivion." It is his first chance to take his case to the Russian people since December 1991, when he was unceremoniously displaced from his Kremlin office by a somewhat vengeful Boris Yeltsin.

For four years, Gorbachev says. he has been the victim of an information blockade in the Russian media. He has been shunned in public, banned from official state functions, mocked in the press.

Now, with his candidacy as a pretext for stumping across the nation, name. "What gives me strength is that what I did was needed for the country and for the world," he said in an interview. "Certainly we made many mistakes. There was tragedy, bloodshed, poverty; all this is our responsibility."

His campaign is a movable seminar in which the man who once ruled one-sixth of the world's land mass and 287 million people acknowledges bis missteps, evens the score with Yeltsin, debates this and that fine point of his own decade-old diplomacy or domestic policy and argues for his place in the hearts and minds of his countrymen. It is a campaign of confes-sion, self-justification and, he evidently hopes, redemption.
"I will fight to the bitter end and

will not withdraw my candidacy, even if I am crucified, even if you are the ones who will crucify me," Gorbachev told a jeering, whistling group of people in his native region of Stavropol in early May. "Some of you are so overexcited your hands are trembling. This reminds me of Jesus Christ on the way to Golgotha, when people spat

Raisa Gorbachev, whose assertiveness and glamorous pub-lie persona made ber even less popular than her busband, tried desperately to talk him out of running. He wouldn't listen. Now, elegantly coiffed and turned out in an earth-toned suit, she is a nearly ethereal presence at his side as he campaigns.

"No matter how other people try to humiliate him, and no matter how often people demonstrate these hostile attitudes to him," she said, "Gorbachev will do what he's doing and what he has to do ... and as his wife, I'll support him."

In interviews since 1992, Gorbachev has said he would run for the presidency if the Russian people summoned him. Now he explains his candidacy slightly differently. He says at least half the voters are satisfied with neither of the apparent front-runners, Yeltsin and the Communist Party candidate, Gennady Zyuganov. (The Washington Post)

Gorbachev's determination The (borrowed) buck stops at the Erez Checkpoint

Israeli businessmen have found it much tougher to collect debts from Gazans since the PA took control, **Judith** Sudilovsky reports

T is easier to collect a business debt from someone any-Lwhere in Europe than from a business on the other side of the Erez checkpoint in Gaza only a few kilometers away, said Baruch Ouzieli, owner of Ouzieli and Son Textile Importers in Tel Aviv. Since the signing of Oslo II, he has been waiting to collect a NIS 500,000 debt from eight

Palestinians in Gaza and Hebron. Hanoch Avni, owner of Citco Limited, a paper-products compaoy in Netanya, bas been waiting two-and-a-half years to collect a NIS 500,000 debt from two Gazans, who worked together to give him falsified post-dated checks over a two-week period. as well as some cash to alleviate any fears he might have, and then when the ehecks were due to be cashed disappeared into the maze of Gaza.

At that time, Gaza was still under Israeli control, and as soon as Avni realized he bad been tricked, be went immediately to file a report with the police. The wheels of justice turn slowly, however, and by the time Avni's case had gone through the whole process and be had a court order allowing him to go into Gaza after one of the men, it was only two weeks before Israel's scheduled pullout.

He knew he would have to work quickly, but found that the Israeli military establishment in Gazz was not all that eager to help ... The military police had already left, and I wanted to do this before all the Israeli forces left Gaza. I wanted to get some of time, but in the end nobody did anything to help me," be said.

Even though it was difficult then, Avni said, it is worse today. "I couldn't do anything because the army was too busy [with the pullout], but with time we could have done something, but then Oslo came and said we have to get out of Gaza. The Palestinians aren't interested in these debts," he said.

Avni is not alone. According to

Ester Ben-Dor, a food-supplier who is owed NIS 3.5 million by 10 Gazan businessmen and who a year ago set up an association of Israeli creditors owed money by Palestinians, at least 30 Israeli businesses are owed NIS 30th. by Palestinians and since the Israeli withdrawal from the terri-



not pay back the millions of shekels owed.

tories have been unable to collect. There are probably more businesses in a similar situation, she added, but they haven't contacted the association yet. In many instances, such as in Ben-Dor's and Ouzieli's, Palestinian businessmen who had worked many years with the Israelis simply stopped paying their debts once the Palestinian Authority took

Now Israeli businesses wbo work with Palestinians in the territories accept only cash, said Ben-Dor. Nobody accepts a Palestinian eheck. For eight years I worked with these people. We had friendly relations," said Ben-Dor, whose business went bankrupt after the 10 Gazan businesses she had worked with failed to pay her. "After the peace agreement it was comfortable for them oot to pay. There is no police there, no law, oo one can to anything to them and we fell because of that."

Some of the businessmeo told ber they were afraid to pay because Hamas had threatened them, said Ben-Dor. But, she said, she doesn't know if that is true. She hired a Gazan lawyer to help her collect her debts, she being threatened and could no longer represent her. Ouzieli also tried to contact a lawyer in Gaza and his reply, said Ouzieli, was "What, do you want me to get killed?"

Palestinian lawyer Rami Nasrallah, who according to Orient House Economic Department head Kamel Husseini, is project coordinator of a grassroots committee of Palestinian and Israeli lawyers organized to look into the debts, did oot return phone calls.

Palestiotan Businessme Association head Ibrahim Abdel Hadi said that any good businessman, oo matter his nationality, knows it is to his interest to pay off his debts. He said the Palestinian businessmen who owe money will pay their debts. but added that the economie simation in the territories is very difficult now and businessmen are having a difficult time honoring their debts, not only to Israelis.

The closure only made things worse economically, he said "The simation is really bad," said Hadi. "I think there would be a much better ontlook if there was an easing of the closure. It is not only Israelis not gettiog paid, people [in the territories] are also oot getting paid.

Bank managers bere are not getting loans paid back."

He pointed out that in 1967, Palestinian businessmeo owed money to Jordanian banks and they eventually honored their debts. On May 16, a new Israeli-Palestinian subcomminee was established to find ways to solve the problem at a meeting between Justice Minister David Liba'i and his Palestinian counterpart Freih Abu Medein. Both meo said through spokesmeo that they hoped the oew committee would be able to find a solution. But the Israeli creditors are oot very opómistic. They have beard the stories about committees before, they said.

said Ouzieli. "What can come out of this committee? Just talk. There has already been another committee set up and nothing came out of that.'

In February. Liba'i set up an interministerial committee, headed by Justice Ministry Director-General Haim Klugman, to review the situation. They recommended that details of the debts deemed "criminal" be forwarded to the PA, which would then be asked to collect the debts on

Israel's behalf. If the PA does oot follow through, then Israel should either stop belping Palestinians collect debts from Israelis or it should also refuse to implement additional parts of its agreement with the Palestinians, the committee recommended.

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Another ministerial committee. which reviewed those recommendacons, did not make any decisions but decided that the issue should be brought up in the meeting between Liba'i and Medein. Collecting debts from

Palestinian businessmen has been a problem since the beginning of the intifada, said Klugman. Teople who worked with the [residents of the] territories knew they bad to ask for cash up front,"

"It was never easy collecting debts from Nablus. Even when the army was there, it was not their role to collect debts... eveo in Israel it is hard to collect debts. But this is a problem which needs a lot of work."

"I am really dependent on the government, because if they don't help me, tomorrow 1 may be out oo the street," said Ben-Dor. What we are asking is that they give us some sort of loan so we to start over and repay the debts which we owe to other Israeli businesses."

The loans, she said, could be deducted from the money which the Israeli government sends the PA each month, in the amount of the private debts owed by Palestinians. But the Klugman Committee said this is not possible under Israeli law, and it might even encourage other individual Palestinians not to pay their

The more we develop, the harder it gets EARTHLY CONCERNS

N 1992, the government commissioned a new National Master Plan from Adam Mazor, professor of architecture at the Technion. But if anyone in the government actually read his indepth study or coted his predictions, there has been ou sign of this in either the actions or mactions of official vovemment bodies:

According to Mazor, while only either, urbanized or paved over in 1948, 17% was used for this purpose by 1992.

The drive for the suburban lifestyle has created an urban. sprawl that is encroaching on agricultural lands and on natural areas, as well as threatening the existence of both.

Given the demographic increase of one million people every decade, this can only get worse. Coupling this with the fact that since 92% of the population lives north of Beersheba, it is clear this 17% of the land that is paved over is almost all in the northern half of the country.

Mazor reported that by the year 2020, Israel can be expected to have between nine and 12 million inhabitants, and there will be some three million cars on the roads. By

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then 60% of the land in Galilee will be paved over. In addition. there will be few if any beaches for public bathing, as more and more portions of the coastline are given over to marinas and tourist facili-

paid any attention to these predictions, and the government has continued investing in wasteful development projects, especially more highways and neighbor-

cities is so severe that asthma in children has tripled in the past decade and scientists say we may expect 1,000 excess deaths annually in nonsmokers from respiratory diseases caused by inhaled particulate pollution, the anthorities still ardently pursue a policy that encourages private cars and neglects convenient mass transit and trains as a partial solution to the problem.

While Switzerland buries only

12% of its waste and Japan 19%, here we bury 95%. This too takes up land areas, pollutes the soil and water resources and, in the case of the Hiriya dump near Tel Aviv, attracts so many scavenging birds

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of the problem.

Nor has the government serious-ly approached the terrible and expanding problem of solid waste.

that aircraft are seriously imperilede Brt so far recycling composting organic material and incineration of waste for energy production has not been part of the national And even though Israel has ceded millions of liters of water as part of peace agreements in the last few years, no real effort is being

Although agricultural water quotas have been cut, the average person is encouraged to save water only when the visible level in the Kinneret drops so far that everyone knows there's a shortage. Between such episodes, oo mention is made

The environmental and ecological implications implied in these findings are severe and widespread. Less than 25 years from now, life in Israel is going to be far different from what it is today, and there are on indications that these changes will be for the better.



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Analysts: Foreign investments likely to continue with new government

Hapoalim sale might be delayed; Leumi warns small-party pressure bad for economy

ANALYSTS say Labor's fall from power does not jeopardize foreign investment, although companies which have been considering setting up shop here might hriefly suspend their plans until the political fog clears.

Such optimism came amid concern that Bank Hapoalim's sale process, which is very close to completion, will be temporarily frozen, and that the new clout enjoyed by small parties would pressure the national budget.

The Claridge-Arison Group, which is dominated by foreign investors and is the main bidder for Israel's largest bank, yesterday held meetings to analyze the implications of the election

Yossi Taicher, managing direc-ior of YLR Capital Markets,

which represents Prudential Securities in Israel, said foreign investors already in the process of completing transactions will pursue plans, while he expected firms in various stages of market exploration to freeze their plans until Prime Minister-elect Binyamin Netanyahu's peace related policies become clearer.

Taicher said his company has spent the last few days trying to calm foreign investors by emphasizing that the Likud intends to go ahead with the peace process and the growth process will continue. "In the long run, Netanyahu's

actions will determine the level of foreign investments that arrives here," he said, noting that, in his view, if the new premier takes "measures against the peace process," foreign investors would GALIT LIPKIS BECK

react negatively.

Zeev Holtzman, chairman and CEO of Giza, the Israeli affiliate of US investment bank Alex Brown & Sons, said he did not expect the political situation 10 affect foreigners plans to invest in the local high-tech industry, even in the short run, explaining that the majority of high-tech firms' activities are in the international market.

However, he predicted that the election results will lead to a temporary standstill in foreign investors' plans to purchase stateowned assets.

"In general, foreign investors are not that concerned with the results of the elections. They realize the change in rule is part of democracy and expect the new government to implement a righteaning, but liberal policy," said

Ronny Strauss, Citibank's country corporate officer for Israel, also expressed optimism that Israel would continue to see continued investment of funds from abroad.

"I personally doubt that people who have already invested money will withdraw it," he said, suggesting that at most some prospective investors may wait a while, and they too would ultimately see for themselves that overall stability will have been maintained.

"I personally do not expect any major changes with regards to policy and do not believe there will be any meaningful withdrawal of foreign investment," Strauss

However, economists at the large banks say the new political landscape is bad for the economy, especially with the increased strength of the small parties.

Bank Leumi, in Its weekly report on the capital market, said the increased sway of smaller par-ties is likely to hamper the Treasury's bargaining power, and result in shelving economic plans, which will ultimately accelerate inflationary expectations and impact negatively on equity, debt and foreign exchange markets.

Bank Hapcalim, in its weekly survey of the capital market, said it expects a drop in share prices in the short run as a result of the uncertainty resulting from the change in government.

Jordanian delegation cancels visit: A Jordanian delegation due bere today to discuss joint water agreements canceled the visit yesterday afternoon. Government officials denied that the cancellation

was politically motivated. "At first we thought their reasoning was unclear, but after further clarification it transpires they have canceled for purely technical rea-

sons," Water Commissioner Gidon Tsur said. The parties had been scheduled to debate key issues, including drilling for water in the Arava, borders, and division of water sup-

Egg prices up 8.4%: The government approved an 8.4 percent increase in egg prices yesterday. A large egg will cost 57 agorot.

David Harris

Tadiran has completed the establishment of two new firms, Tadiran Spectralink and Tadiran Communications, in line with a policy aimed at turning Tadiran into a holding company specializing in high tech and electronic investments. Galit Lipkis Beck

Koor Tourism, a subsidiary of Koor Industries, has formally signed a \$25-million deal with Elad Hotels to purchase all rights and ownership of the Paradise Hotel in Jerusalem. The 200-room hotel is in the process of obtaining approval to add another 54 rooms.

Trans-Israel tender conditions approved DAVID HARRIS

THE outgoing government yesterday approved the final tender conditions for the proposed Trans-

Earlier in the year, Trans-Israel Highway Ltd., the state company

more than 30 firms, which competed over the Rosh Pina-to-Beersheba road, since its official launching half a year ago.

Those left in the competition are led by the French-based Bonygues and Transroute-France. Dragados of Spain, and Israel's

initially attracted the interest of

Israel Highway.

responsible for managing the pro-ject, cut the list of bidding consor-

tium down to four. The multi-billion dollar project

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Hapoalim profits down slightly in quarter for the first quarter. The bank said

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IDB Holdings,

DIC report rise in

quarterly profits

DISCOUNT Investments Corp. (DIC), the investment arm of the IDB Group, reported a 61 percent growth in net profits for the first quarter to NIS 50 million from NIS 31m. in the same period last

The industrial companies accumulated sales turnover increased to \$800m. from \$715m. International sales rose - to \$550m. from \$505m.

ings was the significant improvement in the electronics and telecommunications field, particularly reflecting Cellcom's impressive performance.

The cellular phone company, which started to operate about 15 months ago, reported a nei profit of NIS 7m., compared with a net loss of NIS 39m. in the first quar-

The rise was due to profits from financing income and a lowering of its operating losses, to NIS 3m. from a loss of NIS 38m. Today, Cellcom serves 300,000 sub-

DIC's other large industrial investments also reported an improvement in earnings. In the energy and services sec-

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tor, Supersol and Delek registered a growth in earnings - which was partly offset by lower earnings in Tambor, Klil and American Israel Paper Mills. In the real estate and investment

finance field, Clal and Property and Building had a positive contribution on the group's earnings for the quarter. Iscar, a company controlled by

the Wertheimer family, reported a One of the key factors that contibuted to the rise in DIC searn from NIS 73m. The company's contribution to

DIC's profits was NIS 18.5m., compared with NIS 61.7m. in all IDB Holdings and IDB

Development also reported an IDB Holdings completed the

first quarter with a 128% growth in net profits to NIS 39.17m. from NIS 17.54m. In the reported period, IDB Holdings completed a NIS 50m. private issue of bonds to provi-

dent funds and institutional

investors IDB Development, a subsidiary of IDB Holdings, reported an increase in net profit to NIS 60m. from a net profit of NIS 26m. during the same period last year.

Tel Aviv-Jeffa Megistrates Court Civil Case 38655/96 before Registrar N. Grossman The Plaintiff: Danny Mizrahi The Respondent: Gordon Festos, Nigerian Passport No. B-516347

The hearing has been postponed until June 12, 1986, at 8:30 a.m.
The Respondent is summoned to appear at the court at the above time, failing which the hearing will proceed in his absence.
Denny Mizzahi, Plaintiff

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BANK Hapoalim, the country's largest bank, reported a nine-percent drop in net profits for the first quarier to NIS 195.9 million from NIS 215.3m. during the same period last year.

Net return on equity on an annual basis fell to 11.9% from 14.1%. The results include capital gains of NIS 8.8m. from the sale of Hapoalim's excess holdings in Clal, in line with the Bank (Licensing) Law. According to the law, banks must cut their holdings in non-financial firms to 25% or

less by December 31, 1996. Management said the decrease in earnings resulted mainly from a 6.1% decline in profits from financing activity before provi-sion for doubtful debts to NIS 758.1m., compared with NIS 835,9m.

The decrease was due to, among other factors, a drop in income from the unlinked shekel sector as

The drop also stemmed from an increase in operating and other expenses. Salary expenses rose 7.1% to NIS 464.3m.

Banking subsidiaries in Israel contributed NIS 15.3m., to net profits. compared with NIS 21.9m. in the same period last year, while subsidiaries abroad had a negative contribution of NIS 34.6m., compared with a profit of NIS 47.6m. The overseas subsidiaries nega-

tive contribution primarily stemmed from the real decrease in the Swiss franc's exchange rate. The drop in earnings was partly offset by a decrease in provisions

for doubtful debts, down 22.8% to NIS 221m. from NIS 286.1m. Operating and other income increased 4.3% to NIS 497.8m. from NIS 477m.

The increase resulted from a

increased customer activity contributed to higher income, especially from payment system services, computerized services, foreign trade activity, and special foreign currency services. The results were partially offset by a 10.6% decrease in income from capital market activity.
Hapoalim said Peilim Capital

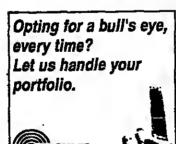
Markets is in the midst of handling the sale of the bank's excess holdings . in Hapoalim Investments, which is one of the Hapoalim non-financial Hapoalim is required to sell by the end of the year.

In May, Hapoalim signed an agreement to sell 29.6% of Ampal to a consortium headed by the Steinmitz family for \$57m. Hapoalim will register net capital gains of NIS 40m. upon completion of the transaction, which remains subject to the approval of

Teva largest maker of generic drugs in US

TEVA Pharmaceutical Industries and Biocraft Laboratories officially announced the completion of their merger yesterday. Trading of Biocraft common stock ceased at the end of last week. In the transaction, each share of Biocraft common stock was converted into 0.46 ADRs of Teva (Nasdaq).

By acquiring the New Jerseybased company, a generic drug manufacturer, Teva has become



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the largest manufacturer of generic drugs in the US. Industry analysts believe this may allow Teva's sales to rise to some \$1 billion for 1996. Sales last year totaled \$668 million.

The acquisition of Biocraft considerably enhances Teva's production and distribution capabilities and will strengthen Teva's position as one of the leading generic drug companies in the

US," said Teva CEO Eli Hurvitz, noting that the merger will give Teva access to markets where Biocraft has a presence.

"The combination of the prodnct offerings of Biocraft and Lemmon Company, Teva's US subsidiary, will result in one of the broadest generic-drug product lines on the market in the US, including antibiotics, where Biocraft has been the leading US generic market participant," he

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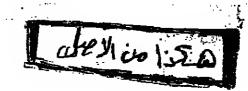
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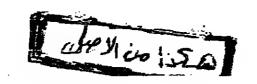
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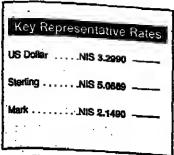
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Precious metals close with modest gains COMMODITIES

PRECIOUS metals ended with modest gains on Friday after a midday boost amid weakening stock and bond prices.

ROUNDUP

Despite mostly bullish funda-mental factors, the market started out weaker, pressured by some speculative selling, sources said. A strong gain io the CRB (Commodity Research Bureau) index, plus a rally in the XAU gold/silver index, helped push precious metals higher in the

afternoon. At the close, August gold was up 40 ceots at \$394.40, July silver rose 6.0 cents at \$5.403, July platinum was up 90 cents at \$403.40 and June palladiom increased 10 cents at \$132.80.

Copper futures ended weaker on Friday, but well off the sharply lower levels posted in early trading, due to a much smaller than expected decline in copper warehouse stocks on the LME.

July copper futures eoded the day with a 50-point loss at \$1.15. after a session high of \$1,1550 and a session low of \$1.1380.

Corn and wheat futures contracts made new session highs on Friday, as short covering and light buying lifted the market.

Lending support for com was a forecast for the Corn Belt calling for weekend rains and more rain later this week. Strength in corn also came from ideas that cornsoybean spreading may have started.

Wheat closed higher after chopping quietly on Friday. There was no real fundamental news affectiog the market.

Wheat's weaker trade came from a midsession sell off, where funds pressured the market into its. lows. However, trade and prices strengtheoed on news, of wet weather expected for the weekend, traders said.

Coursesy of Michael Zwebner,

US expected to announce Iraqi oil plans today

GENEVA (Reuter) - The US is expected to announce formally today that American firms can import oil made available under an oil-for-food deal between Iraq and the UN, a US administration

official said over the weekend. "It think it's likely that we will announce shortly, probably Monday, that US firms will be able to bid on the contracts that are now open because of the UN Security Council decision under [resolution] 986," he said.

There's no reason to put American firms under a tremendous disadvantage when we think

VIENNA (Reuter) - OPEC minis-

ters converged on Vienna yester-

day for talks to rally their fragile

cartel and avert a price collapse

oow that the UN is easing its Gulf

War embargo on the exports of

But delegates saw scant prospect that others among the 12

cash-pinched members of the

Organization of the Petroleum

Exporting Countries would agree

to cut output quotas to make room

for up to a million barrels per day

With OPEC options narrowed,

prices are already down by \$1 for

a barrel. Skeptical traders worry

that this 100th OPEC conference

[UN resolution] 986 makes sense, is sound policy and can work well," said the official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The official was traveling with US Secretary of State Warren Christopher, who is in Geneva to meet Balkan leaders. Baghdad signed the oil-for-

food deal with the UN on May 20. Under the deal, Baghdad is allowed to export oil worth 52 billion every six months to raise money to buy much-needed food and medicine for its impoverished

people.

The US, among the first to boy-

opening on Wednesday may be as

acrimonious as most of the previ-

"OPEC is in a real bind," says Mehdi Varzi, a veteran OPEC-

watcher who follows oil for

applied since 1990, when Iraq

invaded fellow OPEC founder-

member Kuwait, the UN agreed

on May 20 that the Iraqis could

sell oil worth \$2 billioo over six

months to buy food and medicine.

ruled out, the spotlight in Vienna

will be on the fraught issue of

alleged violations of these man-

dated limits that have lifted total

As OPEC quota cuts are all-but

Relaxing sanctions that have

Kleinwort Benson in London.

con Iraqi oil after Iraq invaded Kuwait in August 1990, had hesitated about lifting its own embargo for the humanitarian oil sale because it did not want to appear to be easing pressure on Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

Administration sources said this week government agencies that favored giving US companies the same opportunity as their foreign competitors to buy Iraqi oil had prevailed in the debate within the Clinton administration.

Iraqi Oil Minister Amir Mohammed Rasheed said last Thursday Iraq would export about

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The Vienna talks may therefore

end up just papering cracks in the cartel facade. OPEC would try to

reassure traders that demand in a

buoyant global economy will sop

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But delegates doubt if OPEC

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450,000 barrels per day (bpd) through Turkey, with the Iraqi terminal of Mina Bakr handling the remainder, some 330,000 bpd.

He estimated Iraq would need to export about 800,000 bpd at current prices in order to be able to collect the \$2 billion in six

American refiners - including Exxon, Petrofina's Fina Inc, Royal Dutch/Shell'o Shell Oil, and Coastal Corp. - had been importing a total of more than 600,000 barrels per day of Iraqi oil before it was banned from

OPEC unlikely to agree on cutting output

The case for doing nothing just now rests on a view that demand is strong, industry stocks are low and nobody really knows yet bow much Iraqi will hit the market and

vene in emergency talks if it does-

how soon. Iraqi Oil Minister Amir Mohammed Rasheed says the UN formula may work out around 800,000 barrels daily at current prices through a Turkish pipeline and Mina Bakr in the Gulf.

Meanwhile Saodi Arabian Foreign Minister Prince Saud Faisal has said the Iraqi oil "can be easily absorbed by world mar-

Shares up after market reassured

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Maof Index

STOCKS, which fell last Thursday as it became clear Binyamin Netanyahu would be the next prime minister, recovered after Netanyahu reassured investors he favors a "free economy" and was seen as likely to

continue the peace process.

The Maof Index rose 1.78 percent to 217.93 and the Two-Sided Index went up 1.91% to 205.23. Some NIS 81 million worth of shares traded, NIS 111.7m. below last Thursday's level and about even with last month's

average trading level.

The indexes had declined more than 4% on Thursday amid concern Netanyahu would slow the peace process and fail to implement needed budget cuts. Investors had been anticipadog s victory for Prime Minister Shimon Peres.

Statements by the prime minis-ter elect soothed investors' fears, said Eli Nahum, head of trading at the Tel Aviv investment firm

Zannex Securities Ltd. "Likud MK Dan Tichon, a member of the Knessei Finance Committee, also made an

unprecedented and well-received

visit to the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange yesterday, analysts caid. The Maof Index-listed IDB

group of companies rose after announcing better than expected camings. Investment company IDB Holding Corp. gained 5.25%;

investment company IDB Development Corp. gained 3.75%; and Discount Investment Corp. gained 4.25%. IDB Holding owns 71% of IDB

Development Corp., which in turn owns 55% of Discount Investment.

IDB Holdings said first-quarter net income more than doubled to NIS 39.2m. from NIS17.5m. in the first quarter last year. IDB Development also said net

income more than doubled, to NIS 59.9m. in the quarter from NIS 26.4m

Discount Investment said net income rose to NIS 50m. from NIS31.1m.

Other gaining Maof Index-listed companies included Teva Pharmaceuticals Lid., which rose 3%, and Koor Industries Ltd., which rose 3%. (Bloomberg)

UK postal workers vote for strike

LONDON (Reuter) - Britain yesterday stepped closer to its first national mail strike in eight years when postal workers voted in favor of striking in a dispute over new flexible working practices.

Memoers of the Communication Workers Union (CWU) voted by more than two to one for strike action after talks with Royal Mail, Britain's postal service, broke down last month after almost a year of talks

The general secretary of the CWU, Alan Johnson, said the ballot showed the depth of oppositioo amoog Britain's 140,000 postal workers to Royal Mail's plans to introduce "team workmg" with a oumber of staff handling deliveries over a wide area.

would oot press ahead with strike action until it bad beld fresh talks with Royal Mail.

"Let's try to settle this dispute without disrupting customer service," Johnson told delegates after announcing the result of the vote to his union's annual meeting in the northern seaside resort of Blackpool.

Richard Dykes, Royal Mail's chief executive, said he thought the differences between the two sides could be bridged.

"I don't think eveo in the light of this result that industrial action is anything like inevitable. The important thing now is for us to get back round the table with the union so we can sort our differences," Dykes told BBC televi-

FRANKFURT (Reuter) - Germany, which believes its 1997 public debts will probably exceed the strict entry criteria laid down for

A spokeswoman for the German Finance Mioistry said internal forecasts showed Germany with a debt to gross domestic product

very strictest definition - Germany would fail the 1997 test for eotry to monetary union, as outlined in the Maastricht Treaty. The forecast represents a further embarrass-

meot for Germany, which shocked its European Union partners earlier this year with news that it recorded a 3.6% ratio of public deficits to GDP in 1995, well beyond a 3% tar-

Europe's largest economy - long the selfappointed custodian of monetary and fiscal order among EU countries - rapidly became less vocal in lecturing others about their deficit problems after announcing its 1995 budget

Bonn '97 forecast shows German debt above EMU goal

Instead, Bonn embarked on a comprehensive program to cut back speeding in a bid to make sure that the deficit target is not missed in 1997, the year in which the entry standards must be met by countries which want to enter EMU at the 1999 start.

It is confident these will be successful. The ministry spokeswoman said forecasts on deficits showed Germany would meet the deficit criteria comfortably with a 2.5% ratio.

However, many independent economists. noting that Germany is expected to miss the deficit criteria again this year, say it is touch and go whether Germany will really be able to push the figure below 3%.

The European Commissioo forecast in May that Germany's debt ratio would be an even higher 62,4% next year and penciled in the budget figure at 2.9%.

Economists dismissed the Commission's figures, which also put France just in the net with a 3.0% level, as taking a too optimistic view for political reasons.

Germany and France are viewed as essential first-round members of EMU.

A surprisingly sharp downturn in European economies this year has scuppered many countries in their efforts to meet Maastricht's budget goals, the stumbling block for many countries who already broadly meet the other ecooomic criteria: convergence on inflation, exchange, and interest rates.

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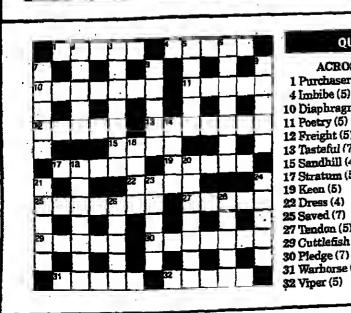
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MORNING

Sampras, Courier, Seles, Graf advance to quarter-finals

PARIS, June 2 (Router) Pete Sampras, with two fierce five-set banles behind him, took another stride towards the French Open title with a dominant 6-4, 7-5, 6-2 win over Australian Scott Draper vesterday to move into the quarier-finals.

But Monica Seles was, in many ways, even more impressive, winning a mental battle of her own as well as crushing 13th seed Magdalena Maleeva in 52 minutes to win through to the last eight.

The Yugoslav-born American confirmed she was back to her best, sweeping past the Bulgarian 6-1.6-1.

Seles, who won here in 1990, 1991 and 1992, has not been beaten in Paris since June 1989, when she lost in the semifinals of her first grand slam tournament to now joint world No. 1 Steffi Graf. In the men's quarter-finals.

Sampras will meet compatriot Jim Courier, winner here in 1991 and

Courier beat South African Wayne Ferreira 4-6, 6-1, 6-3, 6-3 and said afterwards: "I'm looking forward to the match against Pete very much even if on paper, you would obviously say Pete would win that maich."

Top seed Graf had to fight for an hour and 31 minutes to dismiss American Mary Joe Fernandez in a re-match of the 1993 final.

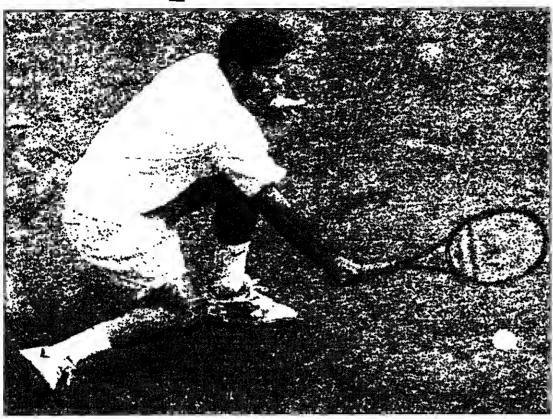
After cruising through the first set 6-1. Graf trailed 40 in the second set tle-break before fighting back, But she still had difficulty clinching the match as Fernandez. seeded 11th, saved four match points before finally bowing to

"It was great tennis in the second set. She really went for her sbots and it was great fun to play," said Graf, whose march was interrupted for an hour and a half by rain.

Graf's compatriot Anke Huber, seeded fifth, crashed out in the fourth round, losing to Slovakia's Karina Habsudova 7-5, 6-3.

Russian Yevgeny Kafelnikov, -seeded sixth, and Dutchman Richard Krajicek, seeded 13th, will clash in another contrasting quarter-final.

"Richard likes to rush to the net and I like to stay back. We've had pretty close matches in the past." said Kafelnikov, who has yet to lose a set in the tournament



ON THE BALL - Pete Sampras returns a backhand to Australian Scott Draper during their match

Seles fights off memories of '93 stabbing

PARIS (AP) - Horrible memories flooded back for Monica Seles as she walked to her chair after the first game of her fourth-round march yesterday at the French Open against Magdalena

Seles was facing Maloeva for the first time since, they last met in Hamburg, Germany, on April 30, 1993, the day Seles was stabbed in the back by a

fan during a changeover. Seles said she had trouble sleeping Saturday night just thinking about playing Maleeva again.

"I was pretty nervous this morning," she said. "I was a linde bit edgy in practice before the match,"
On Sunday, black-suited bodyguards with earphones stood behind the players chairs, surveying Still, Seles struggled to fight back thoughts of

"On the changeover, it was really tough," she said. "I knew that coming into the match. I said to myself, 'Just keep going and keep not thinking about it, it's just another tennis match.' That's what I try to do."

SPORTS

The bad thoughts didn't last long. Seles quickly took command, winning the first four games and coasting to a 6-1, 6-1 victory in just 52 minutes. Maleeva insisted the 1993 stabbing never came into her mind.

"That didn't bother me all," she said. "I have forgotten about it." Maleeva, the No. 13 seed, said Seles' relatively

mediocre performances in her earlier matches were misleading. The fact that she wasn't playing so well, you

shouldn't really pay attention to that much, because it's Monica Seles, and when she needs to. she will rise to the occasion," Maleeva said. Her title streak was cut short by the stabbing.

My serve felt great today, so much bener than any other previous matches." Seles said.

Panthers skate into finals PITTSBURGH (AP) - Tom Fitzgerald and Mike Hough, nondescript players on a mostly star-

less team, scored key goals and Mario Lemieux and Jaromir Jagr didn't and the Florida Panthers stunned the Pittsburgh Penguins 3-1 Saturday night in the Eastern Conference finals.

The Panthers, becoming the first team to reach the Stanley Cup finals in only their third season, meet the Claude Lemieux-led Colorado Avalanche in one of the least probable Cup finals in NHL history heginning tomorrow night in Denver.

It will be the rats against the rookies - the Panthers' rat-throwing fans against a franchise that relocated from Quebec to Colorado only last summer.

To get there, the Panthers won Game 7 the same way they dominated the series. They confused the NHL's two leading scorers, Lemieux and Jagr, who didn't score in the final five games, and got big goals themselves from unlikely sources.

Goaltender John Vanbiesbrouck. a Penguins playoff whipping boy until this series, made 39 saves and will almost certainly be the playoff MVP should the Panthers again defy history by winning the Cup.

Hough provided a huge motivational lift by scoring the opening goal at 13:13 - a time that proved an ominous omen for the Penguins. Fitzgerald gave them another, answering Petr Nedved's tying goal in the third period by powering a seemingly harmless slap shot from the right point by goaltender Tom Barrasso at 6:18. Fitzgerald has scored five of six career playoff goals against Pittsburgh, with two coming as as the New York Islanders raillied from a 3-2 deficit - just like the Panthers - to upset the Penguins

The Panthers are only the 14th team in NHL history to win a series after trailing 3-2, with four doing it against Pittsburgh: the Islanders in 1975 and 1993 and the Flyers in 1989. The Penguins

have lost three of their last five

Game 7s at home, and are 0-4 in Games 7s when they lost Game 6. The Penguins pressed for the first goal, but for the fifth time Florida scored it.

Hough carried the puck into the neutral zone and nudged Pittsburgh's biggest defenseman, Francois Leroux, off his skates along the left wing boards. With open ice to work with, Hough slid the puck across the slot to Robert Svehla, got it back on a perfectly executed give-and-go and slammed it by Barrasso to the short side at 13:13 of the first.

It was another playoff disap-pointment for Barrasso, who replaced early round star Ken Wregget one game into the series. Barrasso made 25 saves, but has lost 12 of his last 18 playoff starts and is 1-3 in Game 7s.

The goal was another in a series of defensive breakdowns that have left Barrasso unprotected against multiple-man rushes by the Panthers, whose top two scorers combined for 30 fewer regular-season points than Lemieux scored himself.

The Penguins had a chance to tie it when Paul Laus was sent off for hooking Nedved at 16:28. But an unattended Tomas Sandstrom missed an open shot from the lower

slot as the Penguins' power play the NHL's best during the season -

finished 4-for-33 in the series. Pittsburgh couldn't score in the first 22 secoods of Gord Murpby's bolding penalty at 19:38 of the second period, but

the intermission gave the Penguins' fatigued stars a muchneeded break. Dave Roche angled toward the net to occupy Vanbiesbrouck as Lemieux dropped the puck in the slot for Nedved, who whacked it in the top of the net at 1:23 - the

Peuguins' first goal in 49:06. Florida Pittsburgh First Period-1, Florida, Hough 4 (Svehla, Standland), 13:13. Panalties-Nedved, Pit (roughing), 10:10; Laus, Fla (hooking), 16:28.

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Second Period-None. Penalties-Svehla, Ra (interference), 1:10; Mironov, Pit (slashing), 8:19; Fitzgerald, Fla (high-sticking), 8:4; Nedved, Pit (cross-checking), 12:19; Murphy, Fla (hotking), 19:38.

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NHL CONFERENCE FINALS SATURDAY'S RESULT: Florida 3, Pittsburgh 1 Florida wins series 4-3)

STANLEY CUP FINALS TOMORROW NIGHT: Florida at Colorado

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world champion Michael Schumacher dominated the competition through a continuous rain to capture the Spanish Grand Prix yesterday giving Ferrari its 106th Formula One victory.

Schumacher was surprised with the ease of bis victory after only qualifying third.

"It's amazing. If anyone had said I would have won this race, I would not have put a penny on it." Schumacher said.

It was the 20th career victory for Schumacher but first in a Ferrari, which had won just two races since 1990. last year's Canadian Grand Prix and the

1994 German Grand Prix.

Jean Alesi was second in a Benetton-Renault 45.302 seconds behind, Jacques Villeneuve, the Canadian rookie in a Williams-Renault, was third, 48 seconds Damon Hill, who won four of

the first five races this year and had the pole position in a Williams-Renault, failed to finish for the second race in a row.

He spun and hit a wall in the 12th lap but still has the overall lead in the driver's standings. The race was scheduled for 65 laps of the 4.727-kilometer

Circuit de Catalunya, or 307.255

kilometers, and barely finished 10

Germany 's Frentzen in a Sauber-Ford was fourth with Finland's Mika Hakkinen in a McLaren-Mercedes fifth with Brazil's Pedro Diniz next

limit in 1 hour, 59 minutes.

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49.307 seconds.

in a Ligier-Mugen-Honda. After two days of sunny weather, a rain started early in the morning and continued throughout the day. It increased just before the start and the wet conditions knocked six cars in the first two laps.

Only six of the 20 starters finished the race compared to three at the Monaco Grand Prix two

struck out the side in the ninth for

Mets 4, Dodgers 3
Pete Hamisch overcame a shaky

Harnisch (4-3) allowed three runs

on four hits in seven innings. He

walked three, all in the first inning

when the Dodgers scored twice. John

The Mets scored twice in the sixth, overcoming a 3-2 deficit. Tom Candioni (3-5) took the loss.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Yankees 6, Athletics 3
Wade Boggs got his 2,600th career
hit, an RBI single that sparked a four-

run fifth inning for visiting New York.

innings, allowing three runs on eight

hits. John Wetteland pitched the ninth

Bobby Chouinard (0-2) was the loser.

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Reds tame Maddux

CINCINNATI (AP) - Mark Portugal pitched seven innings Saturday for his first win and the Cincinnati Reds turned a fortunate first inning off Greg Maddux into a 3-2 victory at home over the

Atlanta Braves. Cincinnati broke a streak of 12 consecutive losses to the Braves. including a sweep in the NL championship series last October. The Reds' last win also was over Maddux, last August 9 in Atlanta. Maddux (5-4) is just 10-11

career against the Reds, who were one of only two teams to beat him in the regular season last year. Portugal (1-4), winless in his nine previous starts this season,

held on for his first victory since September 29. Jeff Brantley SATURDAY'S NL RESULTS: Cincinnati 3, Atlanta 2 New York 4, Los Angeles . San Diego 8, Philadelphia 3 Colorado 2, Pittsburgh 0 Montreal 5, San Francisco 1

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CONFERENCE FINALS LAST NIGHT

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NBA playoffs - at a glance NBA EDALS WEDPENDAY: Winner of Blab Scoule (Series uled 3-3) at Clerago.

Cyprus youths edge out Israel at international meet

HEATHER CHAIT

ISRAEL was narrowly beaten by Cyprus at the close of the international youth athletics (under-19 years) meet at Hadar Yosef yesterday.

The host men's team ended with 127 points against Cyprus's 128 while Turkey finished with 109.

The Cypriot women also dominated, collecting 126 points against Israel's 110 and Turkey's 88. Marina Shafran from Elitzur Yavne scored the day's record with her triple jump of 12.08 meters, beating her own previous record of 11.98m.

Turkey's Secri Idin, whose winning time was 8:23.53. Mokat managed In other results, Sumeyra Iali from Turkey won the women's 3000m

women's 200m with a time of 25.28. Cypriot runners, Nikos Constantindu and Maria Tsangaridou, also won both the men's and women's 400m hurdles with times of 55.91 and

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Polevaulier Itai Choter won his event with a jump of 4.30m while Ilan Moradi won the 800m men's race in 1:54.73. Israel's Draga Mokat finished a close second in the 3000m behind

22.31 and Zano Paraionanou, also from Cyprus, finished first in the

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 Automobiles in 10:14.70 and her compatriot Sureya Ayhan took the women's 800m in 2:12.9. Georgios Kyterountas from Cyprus won the men's 200m in Vayer - Los Angeles: 1 (818) 771 1111 1:04.69 respectively.

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Music director Herbert Blomstedt returns to the podium of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra in Tel Aviv and Haifa.

ISRAEL FESTIVAL

HELEN KAYE

BALLET has to be the star of tonight. The excellent Tokyo Ballet is making its Israeli debut dancing three Maurice Bejart ballets, Firebird, Rite of Spring, and Bolero at the Sultan's Pool at 9 p.m.; the last chance to see a very political Merchant of Venice set in the SS clubbouse of a concentration camp, from the Weimar Theater of Germany directed by Hanan Snir at the Sherover at 7:30 p.m. (German); Bach from the UK's Gabrieli Consort of early-music singers and instrumentalists at the Henry Crown at 9 p.m., and the fantastic dancers of GhenOriginal at Gerard Behar at 9

CLASSICAL MUSIC

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

HERBERT Blomstedt, former longtime music director of the San Francisco Symphony makes a long-awaited return to the podium of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra leading the orchestra in Beethoveo's Seventh Symphony and in the first IPO performance of Sibelius's En Saga, Pianist Ignat Solzhenitsyn performs Mozart's A major (K.488) Piano Concerto. Tonight through Friday at the Mann Auditorium in Tel Aviv, June 12 and 15

at the Haifa Auditorium. 8:30 except Friday (2) and June 15 (9).

FILM

ADINA HOFFMAN

*** 12 MONKEYS - In many ways, Terry Gilliam's latest movie is an attempt to synthesize the themes that have run throughout all of the director's work, an effort to find some makeshift use for the contents jam-packed into the warehouse of his own loopy visual imagination. It's a tribute to detritus of all sorts. The picture takes place in an old-fashioned future, where enormous, rusting cranks, chutes and turbines crowd the dingy underground landscape. The year is 2035 and 99 percent of the planet's population has been wiped out by a deadly virus — a strain of plague which also sounds vaguely archaic, medieval, like the Black Death. Bruce Willis stars as a convict sent back in time to gain knowledge and save the earth from further destruction, while Madeleine Stowe is a sexy expert in apocalyptic visions, and Brad Pitt, in a bravado comic performance, plays a wild-eyed schizophrenic who talks at a furious rate and jabs his fingers frantically into the open air, railing crazily about the craziness of The System. (English dialogue, Hebrew subtitles, Children under 17 not admitted without an adult.)



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- beach (5) 18 American girl student kept
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- heard (4) 30 Extraordinary Arab entries for tricky puzzle (5-8) DOWN
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- Straight ahead (7)

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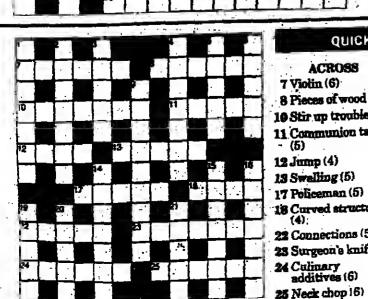
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QUICK CROSSWORD

ACROSS 7 Violin (6)

8 Pieces of wood (6) 10 Stir up trouble (7) 11 Communion table - (5) 12 Jump (4)

13 Swelling (5) 17 Policeman (5) 18 Curved structure

22 Connections (5) 23 Surgeon's knife (7) 16 Holiday homes (7) 24 Culmary additives (6)

DOWN 1 Congenial (7) 2 Fleet commander 173

3 Assumed name (5) 4 Peculiar (7) 5 Shrewd (5)

6 Assume (5) 9 Redecorate (9) 14 Mat for drinks etc 15 Struggle hand-to-hand (7)

19 Extreme 107 (5) 20 Silly action (5) 21. Broken 15)

TELEVISION

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6:30 News 6:45 Exercise Hour 7:00 Good Morning Israel

EDUCATIONAL TV

8:00 Revolutions in the modern era 8:30 Learning to read 8:40 Science of Nature 9:05 Nature 9:25 Sesame Street 10:00 On Second Thoughts -Charisma 10:30 Science and Technology 10:50 English 11:10 General History 11:40 English 12:05 Physical Geography 12:20 Social Studies 12:55 The realm of the possible - quality of life 13:15 Tolerance 13:30 Scary tales 13:40 Our Friends 13:45 Kitty Cat and Tommy 14:00 Shattiel Cuack 14:25 In the land of dreams 14:35 Kalimaru 15:00 Autoto

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ARABIC PROGRAMS 18:30 Sport magazine 19:00 News in Arabic HEBREW PROGRAMS 19:30 Every Evening with Merav Michaeli 20:00 Mabat News 20:45

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of the Day

13:00 Talking with Danny Roup 14:00 The Champion - new drama series set in New Zealand in World War II 14:30 Tick Tack 15:00 Super Duper 15:30 Trick or Treat - drama 16:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 17:00 News magazina with Rafi Reshet 17:30 The Tribe of Menashe - new Ephraim Sidon comedy series set in Biblical times 18:00 Santa Barbara 19:00 Baywatch 20:00 News 20:30 It's a deal 21:05 Zehu Zeh comedy 21:40 Dan Shilon Live 23:30 Sirens - Police series 00:00 News 00:05 Sirens, continued 00:35 Style - Yona Elyan interviews people from the world of design, fashion, food, etc. 1:05 Shadey (1985) - A frustrated garage mechanic, Shadey dreams of having enough money to undergo a sex-change operation. He also has an unusual, supernatural gift: he can transfer mind images to film. This particular talent brings him to the attention of politicians, intelligence operators and the underworld who all want to use him to their own advantage. Starring Anthony Sher (102 mins.) 2:30 Through the Night 3:00 On the Edge of the Shelf

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15:00 Bonkers 15:30 Richie Rich

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MIDDLE EAST TV

14:00 The 700 Club 14:30 The Great McGonagall - a 19th-century weaver imagines that the queen has conferred on him the title of poet laureate. Staming Peter Seilers and Julia Foster, 16:05 Urban Peasants 16:30 Depois the Marcaga 14:55 March Dennis the Menace 16:55 Mask 17:20 Diplodo 17:45 Magnum 18:40 The A-Team 19:30 World News Tonight (Arabic) 20:00 CNN Headine News 20:30 The Bill Cosby Show 20:56 Diagnosis Murder 21:45 Snowy River 22:35 The 760 Club 23:05 Lamy King Live

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ITV 3 (33)

17:00 Cartoons 17:30 Contemporary People 18:30 Panorama 19:00 News in Arabic 19:30 Doctors Talk 20:00 Mabat News 20:45 Larks on a String (1959) - sensitive film about a group of Czech intellectuals who have been incarcerated in an industrial village on the outskirts of Prague. Starring Vera Kristalowa and Waclaw Nekar. (96 mins.) 22:30 Adventures and Challenges 23:20 Jazz into the night

ETV 2 (23)

15:30 Sugar and Spice 16:00 Mathematics in daily life 16:15 Simple arithmetic 16:45 Mathematics in Daily Life 17:00 Great Inventors – cartoon series 17:35 Readily on the Rocks 16:30 Family Relations 19:00 Basic Arabic 19:30 Reflection 20:00 A New Evening (with Russian subti-ties) 20:30 Welcome to France 21:00 Medicine Demystified 21:30 Arms Dealers 22:30 Revolutions in tha modern era

FAMILY CHANNEL (3)

8:00 Falcon Crest (rpt) 9:00 One Life to Live (rpt) 9:45 The Young and the Restless (rpt) 10:30 Days of Our Lives (rpt) 11:25 Perla Negra (rpt) 12:10 Neighbors (rpt) 12:35 Dallas (rpt) 13:30 Starting at 1:30 14:05 21 Jump Street 14:55 Falcon Crest 15:50 Days of Our Lives 18:40 Neighbors 17:10 Dallas 18:00 One Life to Live 18:45 The Young and the Life to Live 18:45 The Young and the Restless 19:30 Local broadcast 20:00 Perla Negra 20:50 Married with Children 21:15 The Nanny 21:40 Mad About You 22:05 Frasier 22:30 Murphy Brown 23:20 Wings 23:45 Melrose Place 00:35 Babylon 5 1:20

MOVIE CHANNEL (4)

10:30 Stepkids (1991) - a young girl and her stepbrother run away from a planned family vacation in Hawaii (rpt) 12:15 Last Train from Gun Hill (1959) – a sheriff is determined to find and bring to justice the man who raped and murdered his wife. With raped and murdered his wife. With Kirk Douglas and Anthony Cuinn. (90 mins.) 13:50 The Wonder Years 14:15 Ending Up (1989) - the life of live elderly people in an English country village (npt) 16:10 La Chateau de Me Mere (1991, French) - continuation of Marcel Pagnol's magneties of childhood in Proyence (rpt) 17:45 Limit Up (1989) - a shy girl determined to make it in business agrees to sell her soul to the devil.
With Nancy Allen and Dean
Stockwell. Directed by Richard
Martini (88 mins.) 19:20 Weekend at Bernie's (1989) - two junior executives are invited to spend the weekend at the boss's house. Upon arrival, they discover his body ... With Andrew McCarthy and Jonathan Silverman. (94 mins.) 21:00 Desperate Journey (1993) – Alison Willcox is five months pregnant when she goes on a cruise which is caught up in e hurricane. She spends ten days in a life-boat with two men, fighting to survive. (88 mins.) 22:35

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E CHILDREN (6)

6:30 Cartoons 6:05 Lizzie Bee (rpt 8:30 Stones of the Big Wood (rpt) 9:05 Alice in Wonderland (rpt) 9:35 Nis Hoigerson (rpt) 10:05 Punky Brewster (rpt) 10:35 Catifornia Dreams (rpt) 10:55 Saved by the Bell irpt) 11:30 Little University -Encyclopedia (rpt) 12:00 Time Surlers (rpt) 12:45 Alvin and the Chiomunks (rpt) 13:00 Surprise Garden 13:35 Mot – new animated series 14:00 Detective Boogle 14:35 Alice in Wonderland 15:05 Nils Holgerson 15:35 Family Ties 16:10 California Dreams 16:30 Saved By the Bell 17:05 Once There Were... Inventor: 17:30 Time Surfers 18:15 Alvin end the Chipmunks 18:15
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Company 20:00 Married with
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SECOND SHOWING (6)

22:00 Calamity Jane (1953) - Dons Day stars in the musical retelling of the story of Wild Bill Hickok and Calamity Jane. With Howard Keel, Directed by David Butler (96 mins.) 23:40 The Last of England (1987, - Derek Jarman's film is a complex collage of images, indicting England for hypochsy. With Tilda Swinton (37

EDISCOVERY (8)

6:00 Open University 12:00 Human Nature (rpt) 13:00 The Man Who Painted Stars (rpt) 14:00 Open University 16:00 Human Nature (rpt) 17:00 The Man Who Painted Stars (rpt) 18:00 Open University 20:00 The Real West 21:00 Travel Magazina 21:30 Far Flung Floyd 22:00 Frontline 23:00 The Real West (rpt) 23:50 Open University

SUPER CHANNEL

6:00 Tha Selina Scott Show 7:00 Europa 2000 7:30 ITN News live 8:00 Today 11:00 European Money Wheel 16:00 Morning reports live from Wall Street 17:00 US Money Wheel 18:30 FT Business Tonight 19:00 ITN News 19:30 Talking to David Frost 20:30 The Selina Scott Show - from New York 21:30 Datelina 22:30 ITN News 23:00 Atlanta Preview '96 00:00 The Best of the Tonight Show with Jay Leno 1:00 The Best of Late Night with Conan O'Brien 2:00 The Best of Later with Greg Kinnear

■ STAR PLUS

6:00 Aerobics 8:30 Nanny and the Prolessor 7:00 Mr. Betvedere 7:30 The Vegetarian Kachen 8:00 Video Fashion News 8:30 Gabrielle 9:30 Santa Barbara 10:30 The Bold and the Beautiful 11:00 Oprah Wintrey 12:00 Reminaton Steele 13:00 Vegetarien Kitchen 13:30 Video Fashion News 14:00 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 14:30 The New Adventures of Lassie 15:00 Lost In Space 16:00 Home and Away 16:30 Entertainment Tonight M*A*S*H 17:30 Striker 19:30 The Bold and the Beautiful 20:00 Senta Barbara 21:00 Hard Copy 21:30 Hearts Afire 22:30 Barnaby Jones 23:30 Entertainment Tonight 00:00 Oprath Wintrey 1:00 Hard Copy 1:30 Home and Away 2:00 The Sullivans

IN CHANNEL 5

6:30 Bodies in Motion 7:30 Basic Training 16:00 Bodies in Motion

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THE Supreme Court yesterday increased the sentences of two boys convicted of repeatedly raping a 14-year-old girl in Kiryat Tivon, but acquitted a third.

The sentences of the other four boys involved in the affair were left unchanged.

The courts have barred publication of the defendants' names. Relatives of the boys reacted

angrily to the court's decision.
"This is destroying the life of a
17-year-old boy," said one relative of the decision to up the ringleader's sentence from one year 10 three. "Three years is an exaggerated senience ... He committed the acts when he was 14."
"This is the media's demand. It

isn't truth," protested the father of one of the boys whose sentence was not changed. The girl is as guilty as the boys... This wasn't rape, and everyone knew it wasn't rape. I expect exactly the same [standard of behavior] from a 14year-old girl as I do from a 14-

"They shouldn't have done what they did, even if she agreed," he continued. "But it

wasn't rape. The seven boys, all between the ages of 14 and 17, were convicted by Haifa District Court six months ago of repeatedly raping the victim, both singly and in groups. Defendant No. 1, the ringleader, was sentenced to a year in prison, while Nos. 2 and 4 received 10 months. No. 6 was sentenced to six months of community service, while Nos. 3, 5 and 7 were sentenced without conviction to 200 hours of public service. The light sentences aroused a public outcry, and the state appealed them. Several of

the boys also appealed either their convictions or their sen-

Justices Eliezer Goldberg, Eliahu Mazza and Zvi Tal all agreed that No. 2's conviction should be overturned, since it was not clear that he realized the girl did not want to sleep with him. She had been ordered to do so by No. 1, to whom she had objected, but according to her own testimony, she expressed her opposition to No. 2 only at the height of the sexual act.

The justices also agreed that No. 1, as the ringleader, and No. 4, who was the next most active participant, should have their seniences increased to three years and 20 months, respectively.

Despite the boys' youth, and the possibly grave effects of a prison sentence on their future, the need to deter other boys from similar acts of exploitation mandated a harsher sentence, the justices

Goldberg and Tal said they would also normally have given No. 6 an actual prison sentence. instead of community service, but refrained from doing so because of the findings of the state's psychological testing service, which indicated that prison might have an unusually detrimental effect on him. Mazza, in his dissent, said he would have imposed a 10month sentence despite these findings, because of the severity of his actions.

Mazza also dissented from the majority's decision to upbold the sentencing of No. 7 without con-

None of the three saw any reason to question the convictions or the sentences of the other boys.



A recently restored mosaic from a lifth-century synagogue excavated at Tzipori went on display at the larged Museum for the first time yesterday. The mosaic depicts biblical scenes, such as Abraham's servants waiting at the foot of Mt. Moriah during the bind-

Railways director commits suicide

Division of the Ports and Railways Authority, was found dead in the Hulda forest yesierday afternoon. He had sbot himself once in the head. His pistol and a suicide note addressed to bis family were found near his car. Hadar was recently questioned by police as

part of a broader investigation into alleged irregularines regarding a tender for a railroad to haul waste from the center of the country to the Negev. Senior authority officials. including managing director Shoresh Lerer, and legal advisers were questioned in con-nection with alleged preferential treatment **RAINE MARCUS**

given to a certain company bidding for the Hadar was investigated for allegedly sub-

oming witnesses and persuading others to coordinate their versions of events. Recommendations to indict certain senior officials were recently transferred to the District Attomey's Office, but it could not be

confirmed that Hadar was among them. Police would not reveal the contents of the suicide note, which was turned over to his

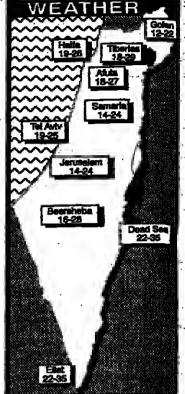
tion triggered the tragic event. His body was found by a Jewish National' Fund employee, who initially noticed a "sus-

pictous car with the driver's door open." On approaching, he saw the body lying beside it. He immediately alerted police.

Police estimated that Hadar, of Rebovot, in bis 60s, killed bimself sometime yesterday marries. He had not been reported missing. morning. He bad not been reported missing by his family.

The Ports and Railways authority issued a statement saying it had received the news "with astonishment and great distress, and





Court upholds retroactive TV fee increase

EVELYN GORDON

IN its first ruling by 13 justices, the High Court of Justice decided yesterday that the Israel Broadcasting Authority has the right to collect fees which were legalized by the Knesset only retroactively.

However, the court said, the IBA may not fine those who did not pay the fees during the years when they were illegal.

The court did not address the issue of whether those who already paid the fines are entitled to a refund, saying this was a matter best determined by a civil suit. MK Eliezer Zandberg (Tsomet), who filed the petition, said he is considering organizing a class-action suit.

The case stemmed from the 1985 Price Stabilization Law, which froze all fees for services rendered, unless the finance minister approved a raise. The IBA, claiming that its radio and television fees were actually taxes, and therefore exempt, continued to

raise its fees. In 1992, however. the Snpreme Court ruled that IBA fees were subject to the law, and that the fee increases were

To protect the IBA from having to repay the over NIS 1 billion it bad collected illegally, the Knesset passed a law retroactive-ly legalizing the increases. The iaw also enabled the IBA to col-lect the NIS 20 million owed by people who did not pay the fee increases during these years, and, according to the state's interpretation, to charge them linkage and fine them for late payment.

Zandberg then petitioned the High Court against this law, arguing that it violated the property-protection clause of the Basic Law: Human Dignity and Freedom, by retroactively legitimizing fees which were levied

The 13 justices ruled unanimously that the law could not be

interpreted to allow the IBA to fine those who did not pay the fee on time. It is inconceivable, they wrote, that someone should be fined for not baving paid a fee at a time when he had no legal obligation to do so.

However, they agreed that the law does permit linkage, since the law was meant to restore the IBA to the situation it would have been in had the fee increases been valid from the start. This meant allowing the IBA to collect the real value of the outstanding fees, they said.

With this limited interpretation, they continued, there is no contradiction between the law permits property rights to be infringed for a purpose appropriate to Israel's values as a Jewish and democratic state, as long as the damage is not greater than necessary, and the law to legalize the LBA fees meets these requirements, they said.

Weimar theater stages controversial 'Merchant of Venice'



Theater's controversial production of Sbakespeare's The Merchant of Venice opened for two performances at the Israel Festival yesterday. Director Hanan Snir set the play in a concentration camp, where the SS officers play all of the roles except those of the Jews, which they bave three of the camp's Jewish prisoners play.

We are inviting audiences bere to view the play through the eyes of Israeli artists working in Germany," Snir, who is Israeli,

of view of the victims."

Snir praised the actors, saying JT plaza: Family, music and dance by that performing his concept of the youth groups from all over Israel, 5:45 play had been extraordinarily difficult for those playing the SS officers. The actors had balked initially at the "cruelties" they

performed towards the Jews. The city center of Weimar is electro-acoustic alternative music (the about a dozen kilometers from the group calls it urban chamber music); Timed to coincide with the 50th anniversary of the camp's liberation in 1945, the April 10 premiere got massive media exposure and was a country-wide sen-

Weimar Theater literary manager Sybille Troester said that in Weimar "somebody walks out at almost every performance, mostly older people who were alive at the time. Young people accept the show very well and are ready to discuss it. They feel no guilt at what their

Today at the festival

said at yesterday's press conference. "If there [in Weimar] the Theater, The Merchant of Venice, from play was a memo to the aggres- Weimar Theater, 7:30 p.m. -Henry sors, here we see it from the point Crown: Classical, Gabrieli Consort 9

> · Small Hall: Recital with cellist Michael Homitzer, pianist G. Telarosa; Bloch, Weinberg, Shostakovich; 9 p.m. (Pree) . JT foyer: Jazz, Cro-Magnon Quintet,

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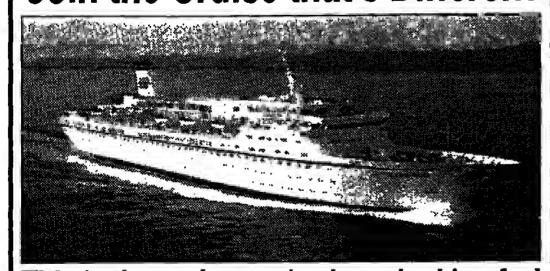
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